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Increased Foreign Intervention In Civil War

AIR MINISTRY
EXPERTS SAIL
FOR AMERICA

London, To-day.

A party of Air Ministry experts is sailing to New York to-day to explore the possibility of buying aeroplanes to augment the already vast output of British factories.

They expect to encounter difficulties, as the American armament factories are extremely busy, while United States legislation forbids the export of aircraft until the types concerned are at least two years old.

The mission is the outcome of the rearmament expansion announced soon after the Austro-German Anschluss, and it will seek quick supplies until British factories overtake the leeway.

CANADIAN POSITION

Sir Thomas Inskip, Defence Co-ordination Minister, has written to employers' and workers' organisations appealing to them to speed up production and alluding to measures being taken to secure supplies abroad.

It is understood that if the mission is not sufficiently successful in the United States they may explore the position in Canada. — Reuter.

OUT OF THE
FRYING PAN

While off Lin Ting, Chinese Territory, on Monday, Chow Kwei, a master of a trading junk, saw a Japanese warship and immediately made for British waters. In doing so he ran against a sunken rock and his cargo of kerosene was taken off by another junk.

JEWS ARRESTED IN
HUNGARY

Budapest, To-day.

Thirty-one arrests were made yesterday of persons accused with attempting to instigate Jews against legislation by the Hungarian Government regarding the status of Jews.

They had distributed leaflets urg-

ISSUE TO BE PUT
ON AGENDA

Geneva, To-day.

A note was received by the Secretariat of the League of Nations yesterday from the Spanish Government in Barcelona asking that the questions of foreign intervention in the civil war and withdrawal of non-Spanish volunteers be placed on the agenda of the next ordinary session of the Council, which meets on May 9.

The note declares that since May, 1937, foreign intervention in favour of Gen. Franco has increased very considerably.

So many absolutely trustworthy testimonies confirmed this that no doubt and no evasion was any longer possible.

Moreover, the Spanish Government is in possession of concrete evidence, which it is prepared to submit to the League Council.

There is reason to believe that the grave peril for European peace occasioned by the increase of foreign intervention and emphasised by the Council last year, has again been augmented in like manner. — Trans-Ocean.

ITALIAN CASUALTIES

Rome, To-day.

The Italian hospital ship "Aquileja," with 561 wounded and sick Italian soldiers on board, arrived at Naples from Spain yesterday. — Trans-Ocean.

VIOLENT
EARTHQUAKE

Istanbul, To-day.

A violent earthquake occurred in the Turkish capital yesterday afternoon.

Particulars of the damage are not yet available but it is believed to have been considerable.

Centre of the disturbance was situated in the Central Asian plateau, and the quake lasted 18 seconds.

Many houses in Joagad and Grapsun collapsed and though dozens were injured, no one was killed. — Trans-Ocean.

ing a boycott movement in order to bring business life to a standstill. — Trans-Ocean.

SPECIAL K.C.R.
SERVICE IN
N. TERRITORIES

THE "CHINA MAIL" UNDERSTANDS THAT, AS FROM MAY 1, THE KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY IS PROPOSING TO OPERATE A HALF-HOURLY MOTOR-COACH SERVICE FROM SHEUNGSHUI AND TAIPO.

This new service will take the place of the motor-bus service now operated by the Kowloon Motor Bus Company, which is being withdrawn as from May 1. The existing Kowloon-Un Long bus service will be extended to Fanling but traffic on the east side of the New Territories will be handled by the railway.

It is likely that a number of small stations between Sheung Shui and Taiipo will be established on the railway for use only in connection with the new service.

demand to which the management refuse to accede. — Trans-Ocean.

NEW SIT-DOWN
STRIKE

Paris, To-day.

While all other factory workers returned to work, workers in the aircraft-motor factory of Gnome and Rhone, yesterday staged a sit-down strike.

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New Blouse And Skirt Silhouette By Manguin

Extremely flattering is the new blouse and skirt silhouette highlighted by Lucille Manguin. She is showing a balloon-sleeved gold lame blouse, closely swathed at the waist, worn over an ankle-length black crepe skirt, sleekly molded at the torso.

Winking gold paillettes gleam on a black silk marquise blouse which has softly draped lines at the bust and waist. A whispering taffeta skirt, cut very full and long, goes with it. Piguet's sumptuous white satin blouse has a corselet of gleaming red which fits over a pillar svelte satin skirt.

Grafted onto an ankle-length, bust-high dance skirt of black lace over rich purple moire is an enchanting gold sequined blouse-yoke with a chin-high collar reaching over the head and tying into a bow.

Still another attractive evening blouse-skirt silhouette is achieved by a finely pleated white chiffon blouse with a thickly gathered yoke studded with rhinestone stars. The skirt is a constellation of stars and moon on a background of navy blue.

For dinner wear is a richly em-

broidered white crepe blouse with a startling hood attached to it. A green grosgrain belt links it to a deep rosy red skirt, discreetly slit at the sides.

With an artist's flowing tie is featured Marcel Rochas' blouse-gilet in blue jersey. Then there is Marcelle Landowska's model of lacquered white lace trimmed with tricoloured twists of silk at the neck and waist.

Personal Jottings

Mr. G. E. Shekelen, vice-president of the R.C.A. Communications, Shanghai, is at present in the Colony on vacation. He expects to remain here for another fortnight before returning to the North.

Mr. M. Rocchi, Italian Consul at Canton, is a guest at the Hong Kong Hotel, and among other prominent guests staying there are Sir Anthony Banks Jenkinson, and Captain J. M. McHugh of the American Embassy at Hankow.

Smart Talk

With such a welter of new fashion ideas coming in daily from New York and Paris, it is sometimes hard to keep up with them all. There are certain little tricks of fashion that will keep you looking definitely this-season, and in case your imagination is slumping at the moment, here are a few to try:

If your new hat has one of those very popular vivid tassels on it, a smart trick would be to match it in colour to your dressmaker hand-bag.

Because so much black lace is being shown on white chiffon formal this season, bands of it on the skirt of your worn but much beloved dinner dress would give added zest.

As this promises to be a season of feminine ruffles, a little bolero jacket made entirely of them would "pick up" your dinner dress.

Fuchsia and emerald green when worn together with gray look both colourful and very springlike.

Now that half-and-half evening dresses are style news, a black crepe floor length skirt and several vivid blouse changes would be smart economy.

Since stripes are rampant, one of those vividly striped wool cardigans over your slacks would brighten your leisure hours.

Gold and coral jewellery heaped on your navy blue town dress will give it new interest.

Since stripes are considered so new and smart, your striped sport jacket will be doubly so if the pockets are made of the stripes, this time running at right angles to the jacket itself.

Knit suits derive added charm from contrasting raffia belts, matched to those huge raffia bags.

To give you that new tri-colour look, try combining a voluminous pink blouse with a purple-blue skirt and wrapping the waist "cummerbund" fashion with a wide cerise girdle.



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Lustrous Tresses

The Vogue For Glossy Locks Dates Back To Shakespeare

Shakespeare, historians claim, is the lad who started the vogue for the glossy blonde locks back in the Sixteenth Century. Most of the fashionable ladies of that time decided that they desired the flowing, lustrous tresses that he so picturesquely described. Some of them resorted to bleaches to give glint to their hair. Others resorted to wigs. And there just weren't enough to go 'round!

As a consequence, it wasn't safe for any natural blonde of the poorer classes to even show herself in the streets. For if she were detected, the wig-makers would shove her into an alley and cut off her locks. But the significant part of it is that these wig-makers would approach only girls who had glossy, lustrous hair!

In this day and age, dry, lustreless hair is just as unattractive as it was in the time of Shakespeare. But the average woman of this era knows what to do when her locks begin to lack sheen and gloss. She usually gives her hair a good treatment every other week. And if her hair starts to look the least bit dull in between times, she sprays her hair with a good lubricant.

FOR DRY LOCKS

Anyone whose locks are dry and dull should administer reconditioning hot oil treatments, and give proper brushing and massaging to her hair and scalp until the condition is corrected. These steps in correcting dull, dry, brittle hair are very simple to administer. And any normally intelligent woman can administer them herself, at home.

Until the dry dullness is corrected through reconditioning treatments, any girl whose hair appears brittle and dull can give it lustre through the use of one of the better brilliantines. It is best to apply the chosen lubricant to the scalp at night. Dip your fingers lightly into the liquid or paste, using only the slightest bit of the preparation.

Then massage your scalp with your oiled finger tips. You should not need to dip your fingers into the lubricant more than four times to complete the entire massaging of your scalp. Then brush your hair well with a flexible-bristled brush. This will distribute the lubricant evenly over your hair and give it a lovely sheen.

SPREAD WITH ATOMIZER

If you do not prefer this method of giving your dull hair lustre, you may use a fine atomizer for the purpose of application. The brilliantine selected should be a light, fine product, and should be sprayed delicately and evenly over the hair with an extremely fine atomizer. Then the hair should be brushed, in order to distribute the lubricant perfectly and to remove any possible excess. In this way, the hair will be given an attractive lustre and the scalp will also receive a bit of nourishment. And goodness knows the dry scalp needs plenty of that!

There is still another way of applying brilliantine. You can place a tiny bit of the brilliantine in the palm of your hand, and sweep your hairbrush over it. Remove

any excess of the preparation from the brush, and then brush the lubricant lightly onto your hair. Always brush the ends of your hair first, to remove any excess of the lubricant from the brush. The ends are usually the driest part of the hair anyway, and can stand more of the oil than the hair nearer the scalp.

After the end have been brushed, smooth the brush over your entire head of hair carefully and lightly. The one precaution you must observe is that you use just the slightest bit of brilliantine, avoiding using any excess. Used in this manner, the lubricant will add gloss and sheen to your hair and will also help to keep your tresses in place.

(At Right) — TO PURSUE ART STUDIES. Madame Eugene Chen, wife of China's former Foreign Minister, who arrived in the Colony from Paris yesterday. She is accompanied by her distinguished husband, and has spent the last four years in the French capital studying art in some of the foremost schools. Madame Chen specialises in oil painting, charcoal and crayon studies, and her return to the Far East will provide her with an opportunity to study the art of her own people.



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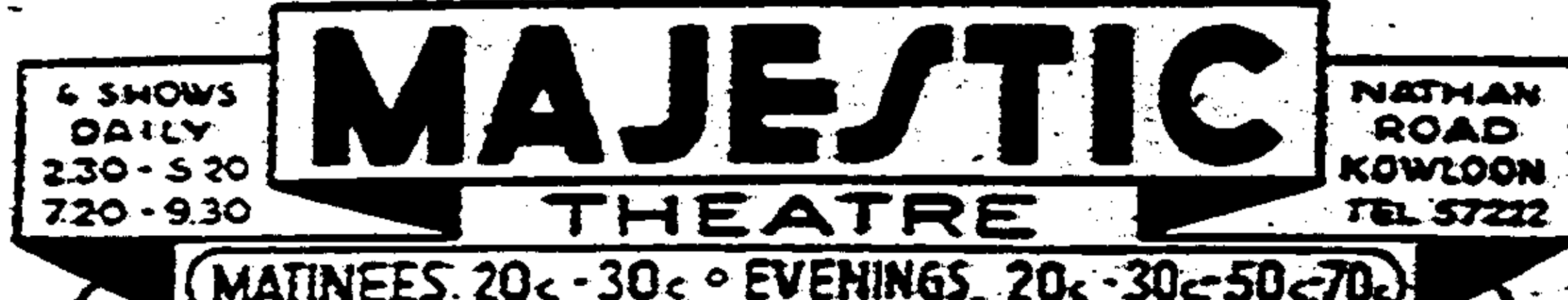
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**ANGRIFF'S ATTACK ON
ARCHDUKE OTTO**

Berlin, To-day.

Officially confirming the issuing of a warrant for arrest of Otto von Hapsburg, it is learned that reason for the warrant was the "scurrilous attacks Otto had made against the Austro-German reunion in a Paris newspaper."

As accused is now outside the territory of the Reich, it must be assumed that an arrest will not be possible, but it is taken for granted that the case will be conducted against Otto in his absence.

It is also considered certain that the entire fortune and other possessions of the Austrian Pretender will be confiscated.

The Nazi newspaper "Angriff," reporting the affair, heads its news "Warrant for Arrest—End of a Dynasty."

"HISTORY CLOSED"

The newspaper writes: "Thereby the action of the House of Hapsburg—among whose members treason was an habitual occurrence during the World War—has earned his record in the annals of crime."

"The history of the Hapsburg 'ruling house' may now be regarded as closed. We are not surprised by the son of the ex-Kaiser Karl and the ex-Kaiserin Zita, who in the autumn of 1917, when German and Austrian soldiers were fighting shoulder to shoulder, sacrificing blood and life for protection of home and country, were in negotiation with France to attack their German allies in the rear."

WAR LETTER

"These two addressed a letter to Prince Sixtus of Bourbon, then serving in the French Army, who was a cousin of the Kaiserin Zita and uncle of Otto, that he should approach President Poincare and inform him secretly that the Kaiser Karl, by all available means and with his entire personal influence, would support the just French demand for return of Alsace-Lorraine."

"This treasonable communication was the product of the same moral perversity as that by which the son, Otto, now threatens to foment warlike complications in Europe merely to advance his own paltry personal dynastic aims."—Trans-Ocean.

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Sat.: "To-day We Live"

**WELL-KNOWN
JOURNALIST DEAD**

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE DEATH HAS OCCURRED OF ALEXANDER BELL FILSON YOUNG, AUTHOR AND ADVISOR TO THE B.B.C. ON PROGRAMMES SINCE 1936.

The late Mr. Young, who was 62 years of age, had a distinguished journalistic career. He was special war correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" in the South African War, literary editor of the "Daily Mail," war correspondent in France, special correspondent of "The Times" in Spain and Portugal, and, from 1921 to 1924, editor of "The Saturday Review." During the Great War he also served in the Royal Navy, being on Admiral Beatty's staff in H.M.S. Lion.

He published many books on a variety of subjects, including crime, war and novels.—Trans-Ocean.

**ANTI-GOD ACTIVITY
IN RUSSIA**

Moscow, To-day.

"Interest in godless propaganda has increased," says an official announcement in support of the campaign of the Godless Associations against celebration of Russian Easter on April 24.

Everywhere in the Soviet, lectures are being delivered against Easter and attacking the Christian Churches.—Trans-Ocean.

**CASTELLON
FIGHTING**

Saragossa, To-day.

The insurgents, says a communique, resumed their advance in Tarragona and Castellon provinces yesterday.

In Castellon province, the insurgent vanguards have reached Albocacer, about 80 kilometres east of Teruel and 50 kilometres north of Castellon.

Heavy fighting is going on in the Alcala Mountain, further east.—Trans-Ocean.

**ALL AIR-TRAFFIC
RECORDS BROKEN**

London, To-day.

All air traffic records were broken at Croydon over the Easter weekend, nearly 2,000 passengers flying on the Paris route alone.—British Wireless.

K. R. A. COMMITTEE MEETING

The monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association was held on Tuesday, April 12, in St. Andrew's Church Hall.

Those present were: Mr. B. Wylie (President), Mr. F. C. Mow Fung (Vice-President), Mr. R. Baldwin (Hon. Secretary and Treasurer), the Hon. Mr. L. d'Almada e Castro, Junr., Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, Rev. Fr. A. Granelli, Miss H. D. Sawyer, Messrs. W. C. Felshow, Lam Ming Fan, W. A. Mackinlay, C. M. Manners, D. W. Munton, I. N. Murray, R. Pestonji and C. E. Terry. An apology for absence was received from W. J. Rattey.

A statement of accounts showing the position of the Association as at 9th April, 1938, was read and adopted. Approval was given for the payment of accounts amounting to \$415.29 for general expenses and \$218.98 in connection with the 'Rents Question' advertisements.

Letters concerning Drainage and Sanitation in the Grampian Road area, Postal Matters, Rumoured proposal to erect mule stables in Kowloon Tong, and the proposed removal of the R. C. cemetery from K.I.L. No. 2148 were read and approved.

A letter from a member was read inviting the Committee to examine the rent collection books of his firm in connection with the Association's inquiry into the Rents question. The letter also drew attention to the expiration (in 1949) of the franchise of the Star Ferry Co., and asked that the Association would lend its weight towards giving the Star Ferry Co. preferential treatment when the time came for consideration of the renewal of the franchise. It was decided to reply and state that no useful purpose could now be served by an examination of the books mentioned; also that the matter of Star Ferry franchise would be considered by the Association at the appropriate time.

A complaint having been received regarding a nuisance caused by ricksha coolies and gambling at a point on Kimbereley Road, it was decided to bring these matters to the notice of the Police.

With reference to the proposed removal of the R. C. Cemetery on K.I.L. 2148, as the matter was bound up with the removal of

AIR RAID ON BARCELONA

Barcelona, To-day.
Barcelona was subjected to a further insurgent air raid yesterday morning, in which two were killed and 33 wounded.
Most of the damage and casualties were confined to the suburbs.
—Reuter.

STOCK MARKET CHEERFUL

London, To-day.
There was a cheerful tone on the London Stock Exchange yesterday and markets generally closed with a firm appearance on a number of favourable factors of which the Anglo-Italian Agreement and the better international outlook was the most important.—British Wireless.

THE BOSTON MARATHON

Boston, To-day.
Leslie Pawson, of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, yesterday won the Boston Marathon race in 2 hours, 35 mins. 34 4-5 secs.

George Shaw, a British Ice Hockey player, who was given special permission by the British Amateur Athletic Union to participate, abandoned the race after covering nine miles when running 105th in a field of 180.—Reuter.

other cemeteries in the neighbourhood and the alternate sites proposed, it was decided to ask Government for further information on the subject.

It was decided to publish an account of the steps taken by the Association in the matter of the Rents Problem.

It was decided to invite Government to arrange with the Air Raid Precaution Committee for lectures to be given in Kowloon.

With reference to the Star Ferry attention was drawn to the need for a five-minute service to be extended to 6 p.m. from Monday to Friday, inclusive, and to the space inadequacy of the wharf in Hong-kong. It was decided to write to the Company on these matters.

The need for a traffic island in Nathan Road between Humphrey's Avenue and Carnarvon Road was discussed, and referred to the Traffic Sub-Committee for consideration of details.

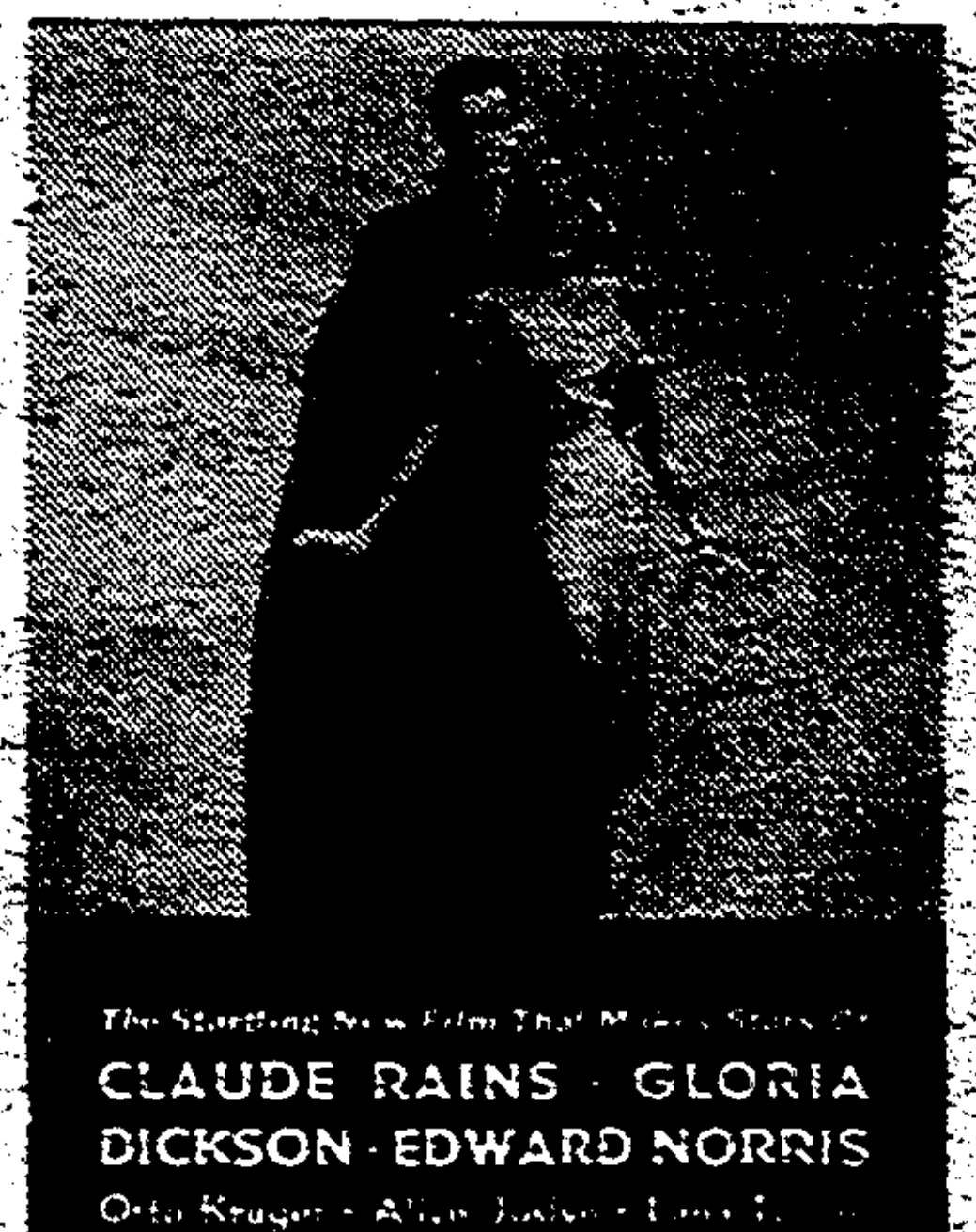
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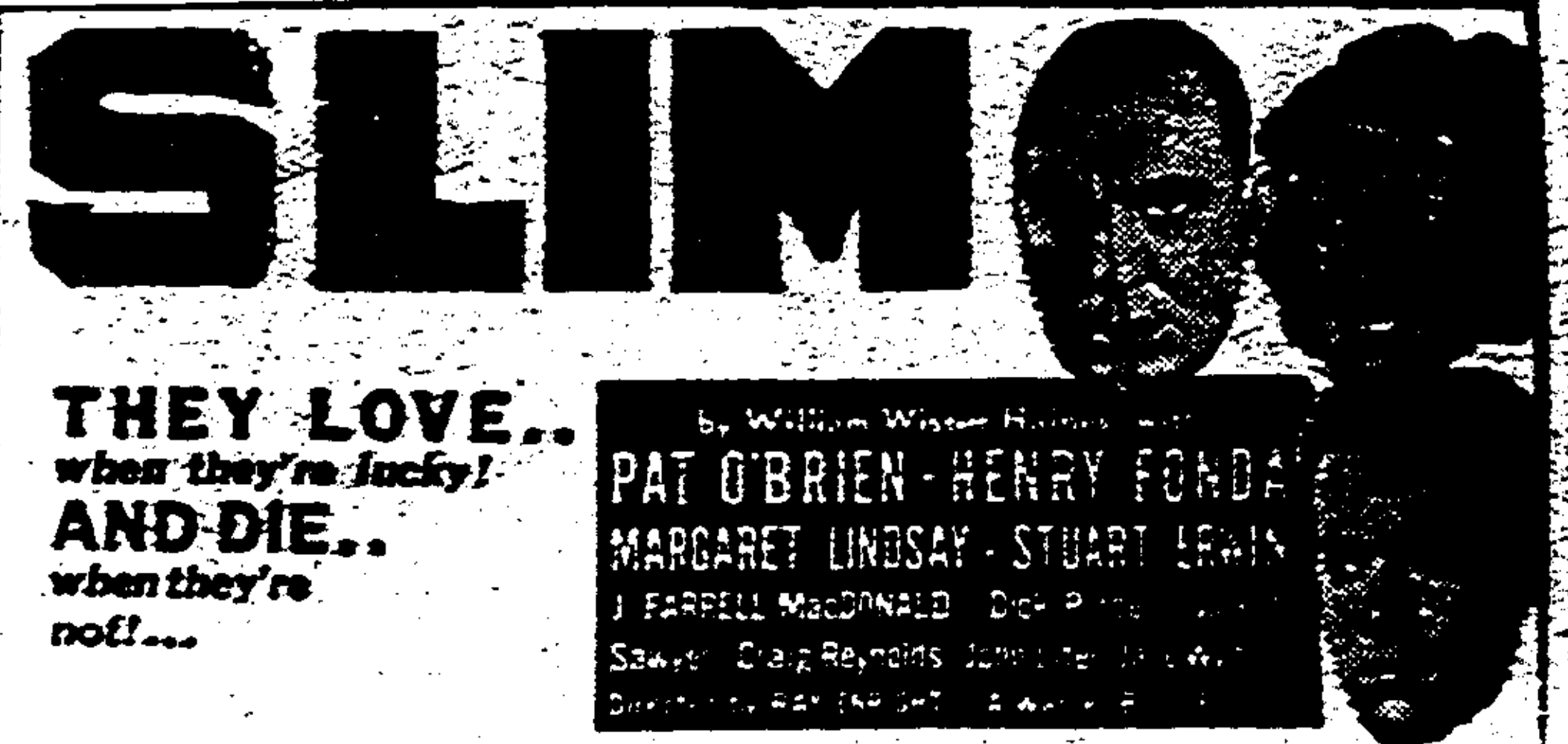


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PANAY INDEMNITY

Tokyo, To-day.
The Japanese Government will to-day hand to the United States Ambassador a cheque for the sum of U.S.\$2,200,000 as indemnity for the sinking of the gunboat Panay in the Yangtze on Dec. 12 last year.

The amount raised by collection from private Japanese donors, has

POISON EPIDEMIC

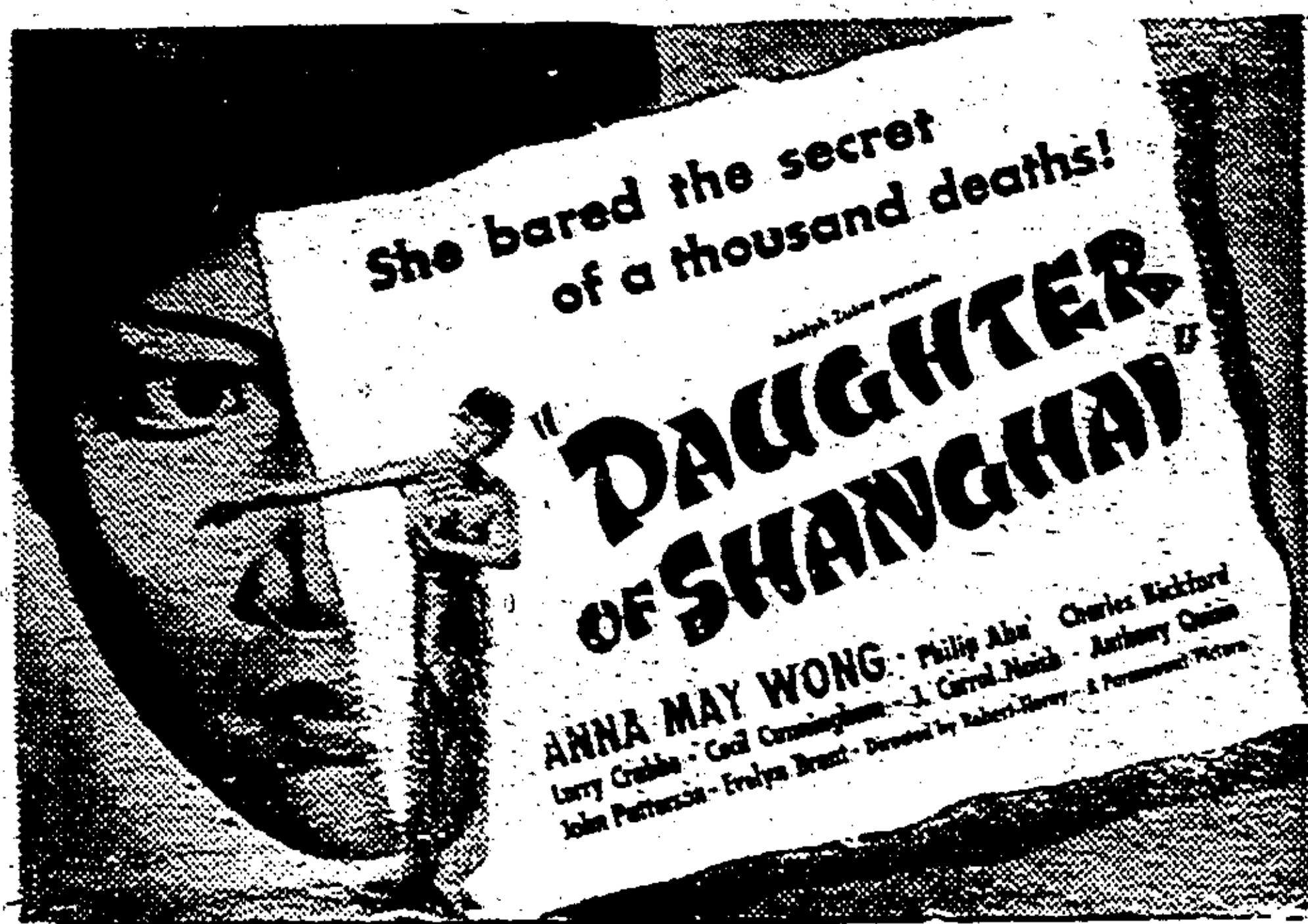
Budapest, To-day.
Over 150 peasants on the Rumanian-Hungarian frontier were taken seriously ill with ptomaine poisoning over the Easter holidays.
—Trans-Ocean.

in the meantime been increased to U.S.\$10,000.

This sum will be used for creation of a special fund for improvement in Japan's relations with the United States.—Trans-Ocean.

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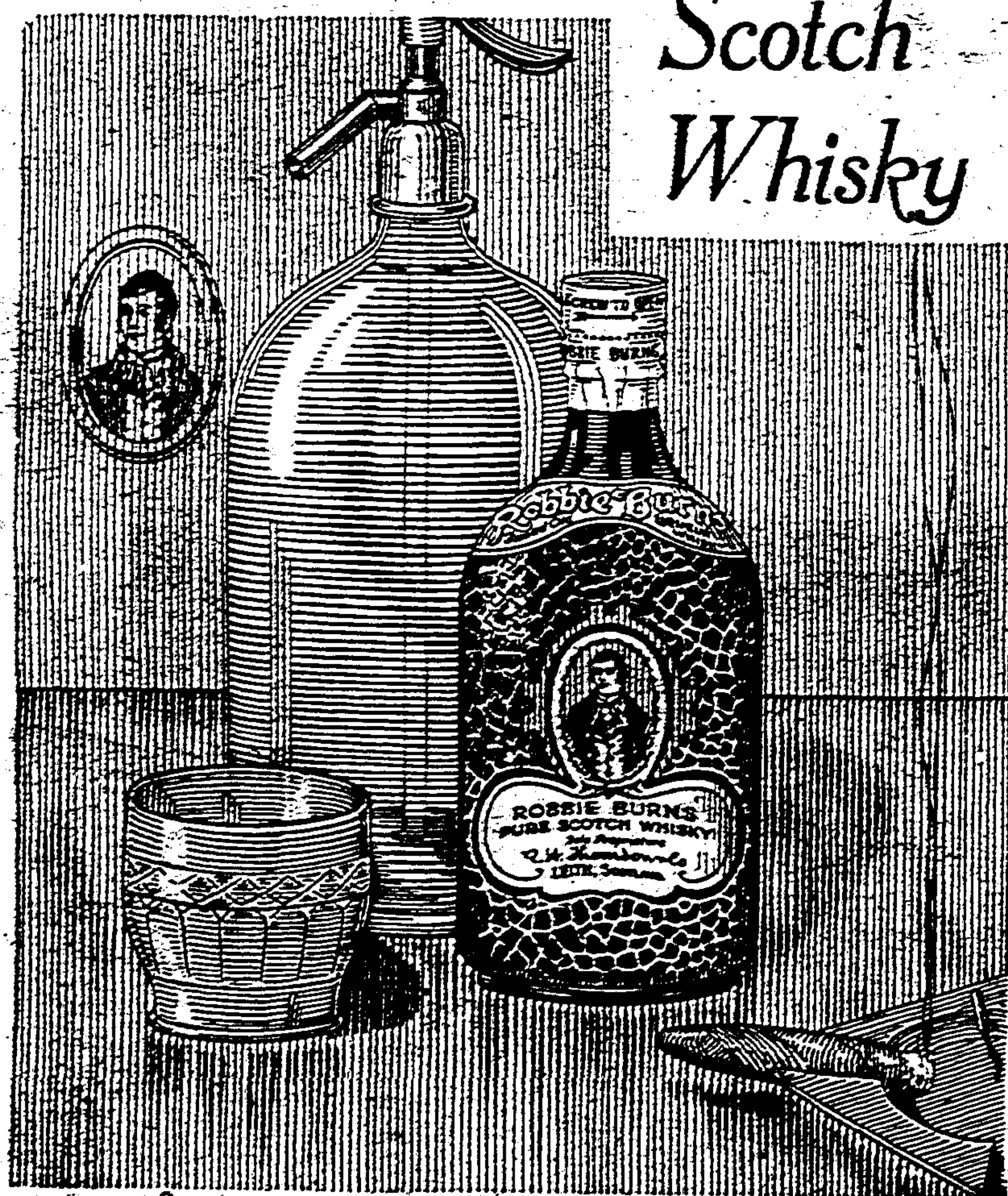


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ANOTHER MAGNIFICENT "DOOMED BATTALION" EPISODE AT TSIYUAN

Hankow, To-day.

The Chinese populace of Hankow has been thrilled over the stand made by another "doomed battalion" in the town of Tsiyuan, in Honan, north of the Yellow River.

The battalion, according to Chinese reports, stormed the walls of Tsiyuan on the night of April 10, and occupied the Kwang Ti Miao, or Temple of the God of War.

Japanese troops surrounded the temple, cut off reinforcements and urged the battalion to surrender.

The beleaguered men, however, decided to die rather than capitulate, and replied with a fusillade of fire.

To-day, only 100 men are left, but they are still holding the Temple and show no sign of surrender. — Reuter.

HORE-BELISHA IN MALTA

London, To-day.

Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, Secretary for War, yesterday inspected the land defences of Malta and visited a number of troops in barracks.

Later he made a tour of the island with the Governor.—Reuter.

JAPANESE CLAIM CAPTURE OF LINGYI

PEIPING, TO-DAY.

A JAPANESE COMMUNIQUE ANNOUNCES THE COMPLETE OCCUPATION OF LINGYI, IN SHANTUNG, YESTERDAY MORNING.

Meanwhile, though the Japanese authorities recently announced the annihilation of the majority of Chinese troops in Shansi, except for small groups, they reported yesterday a big battle in south-east Shansi in which they engaged and defeated 20,000 Chinese Communist troops, inflicting over 2,000 casualties.

The Japanese spokesman states that this large group had been causing considerable trouble to the Japanese communications.

The spokesman indicated the next drive might be on Chengchow and Hankow soon, but observers are sceptical in view of the fact that every spare man appears to have been withdrawn from the Kinan front to Shantung.—Reuter.

CHINESE HOLDING GROUND

Hankow, To-day.

Under cover of a most intensive artillery barrage, Japanese troops launched a large-scale offensive against the Chinese at Lingyi yesterday morning, according to a message from Gen. Li Chung-jen.

Although their lines have been heavily pounded, the Chinese are reported to be offering stubborn resistance in the vicinity of Lingyi and contesting every inch of the Japanese advance.

The Chinese Command is rushing reinforcements to the Lingyi sector, where the situation is critical. The Japanese are following up their artillery

CENTRAL CHINA PAUSE

Shanghai, To-day.

Japanese military circles here admit that their garrisons in the Nanking-Shanghai-Hangchow region are suffering considerably at the hands of Chinese guerillas.

It is said that the Japanese High Command in Central China is anxiously waiting instructions from Tokyo, as it is considered unwise to undertake any further operations without re-inforcements either from Manchuria, Formosa or Japan, which have been urgently requested.

The Japanese deny that their troops have completely abandoned Hanchwang and say that street fighting is continuing in both that town and also at Yih sien. Japanese re-inforcements have, however, not yet been able to reach Yih sien.—Our Own Correspondent.

JEWISH EXILES FOUND ON DANUBE ISLAND

PRAGUE, TO-DAY.

A SECRET ATTEMPT TO EXPEL FROM BURGENLAND (AUSTRIA) INTO CZECHOSLOVAKIA, TWENTY JEWS, TWENTY JEWESSES AND ELEVEN CHILDREN, WAS DISCOVERED BY CZECH GUARDS YESTERDAY.

The guards found the Jewish party yesterday morning on a Czech island in the Danube near Bratislava.

The exiles stated they had been forcibly removed to the island in darkness by local Nazi officials, who first confiscated their property.

The Czechs have repatriated all of them.—Reuter.

barrages by mass infantry attacks.

Military despatches from the front indicate that the Japanese forces are planning to smash through Lingyi, turning south-west to Yih sien and lift the siege at that city, where Japanese troops are holding out inside the walls.—Reuter.

FRANCE FALLS INTO LINE

Agreement With Italy Expected Before May 9

Way Already Cleared By British Agreement

Rome, To-day.

A Franco-Italian Agreement has been much facilitated by the assurances already contained in the Anglo-Italian Agreement, many of which apply also to France.

For example, the right of way through the Mediterranean and reduction of Italian troops in Libya.

It is expected that agreement will have been reached between France and Italy by May 9, when the League of Nations will meet to deal with the question of recognition of annexation of Abyssinia.

France, after the recognition, will appoint an Ambassador to Italy who will engage in further talks on technical questions still outstanding between the two countries.

It is emphasised that none of these points will be discussed till after the appointment of an Ambassador. All that M. Blondel, French charge d'affaires in Rome, will discuss will be guarantees of good intentions on both sides.

NO DISPUTE

It is emphasised that there is no serious Franco-Italian dispute, for a comprehensive agreement was reached when M. Pierre Laval visited Rome in January, 1935.

However, the absence of Ambassadors in Rome and Paris indicates that tension which has arisen between the two countries owing to the conflicts in ideology between the Popular Front Governments in France and the Fascist Government of Italy, and the fears in France that Italy is threatening France's security and communications with her colonies by her campaign in Spain and the presence of Italian troops in the Balearics.—Reuter.

IN MAY

Paris, To-day.

A French Ambassador will be appointed to Italy in May, says the newspaper "Intransigeant."

The paper says that Italy has agreed to the nomination being made after the League Council session.—Trans-Ocean.

NO OBSTACLES

Paris, To-day.

A high tone of optimism marks French newspaper comment on the Rome talks between the Italian Foreign Minister and the French charge d'affaires.

There are no obstacles to a Franco-Italian Agreement, say most of the papers, and the only snags are psychological ones.

Actual negotiations will probably start to-morrow or on Friday, by which time the French charge d'affaires will have received instructions from Paris.

POINTS TO BE DISCUSSED

Points to be discussed, according to a press forecast, are:

Appointment of a French Ambassador to Rome, to be accredited

WORLD EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Budapest, To-day.

On the occasion of the World Eucharistic Congress, representatives of Catholic Churches in all parts of the world will assemble in May in the Hungarian capital for an impressive meeting.

More than 200 special trains will bring foreign guests to Budapest.

Two emergency railway stations are being constructed in anticipation of enormous traffic.

Among the Cardinals expected to attend are the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster, Cardinal Hinsley, and the Archbishop of Philadelphia, Cardinal Dougherty.

Up to the present, 71 Archbishops and 227 Bishops have announced their participation.—Reuter.

BRAZIL BAN ON FOREIGNERS

Rio de Janeiro, To-day.

A decree has been signed in Brazil banning foreigners from holding meetings of foreign associations and societies except with the permission of the authorities.

No badges or tokens of foreign organisations are to be worn.

The foreign press is to be controlled, while foreign schools will be under Government supervision.—Reuter.

to the "King of Italy and Emperor of Ethiopia,

Establishment of good neighbourly relations,

Demarcation of the frontier between French Somaliland and Abyssinia, and Italian assurances with regard to the French-controlled railway from Djibouti to Addis Ababa,

The Mediterranean, and

The Red Sea.—Trans-Ocean.



Herr Adolf Hitler, the German Fuehrer, who is celebrating his 49th birthday quietly to-day.

HERR HITLER'S BIRTHDAY

Berlin, To-day.

The Propaganda Minister, Dr. Joseph Goebbels, delivered an eulogy of Herr Hitler over the radio last night on the eve of the Fuehrer's forty-ninth birthday.

He contrasted the pre-Nazi state of affairs, "when others presented demands to Germany," with the present day, "when the world must listen to demands put forward by Germany."

Dr. Goebbels concluded: "The difference between parliamentary democracy and authoritarian democracy is that parliamentary democracy avoids responsibility during the greatest danger."—Trans-Ocean.

GENERAL MOTORS WORKS PICKETED

FLINT (MICHIGAN), TO-DAY.

FIVE THOUSAND MEN WERE RENDERED IDLE YESTERDAY WHEN TWO GENERAL MOTORS FACTORIES WERE FORCED TO CLOSE BY PICKETS BELONGING TO THE UNITED AUTOMOBILE WORKERS UNION.

The pickets refused to allow Union members to enter unless they could prove that their Union contributions had been fully paid.

A strike vote will be taken at the week-end concerning various grievances which the Union alleges against the General Motors Corporation.—Reuter.

TORTOSA STILL HOLDING OUT

BARCELONA, TO-DAY.

DESPITE INCREASINGLY HEAVY INSURGENT ATTACKS SOUTH OF TORTOSA, THE REPUBLICANS HAVE NOT RETREATED, STATE THE GENERAL STAFF.

The Government claim that by a tactical movement they have left the nationalists only a narrow corridor in the direction of Amposta, and to have brought them under crossfire.

It is claimed that in the recent battles on the Aragon front, 39 Italian and German airmen were captured after their planes had been brought down.—Reuter.

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ROOSEVELT PRECEDENT ON ANGLO-ITALIAN PACT

Political Reasons Behind Move

LONDON CINEMA STRIKE

London, To-day.

Extension of the London cinema strike throughout Britain has been announced by the Electrical Workers' Union.

This measure has been adopted because the Association of British Cinema Proprietors declared themselves unwilling, in spite of the strike here, to meet the Union's demands which require readjustment in the rate of pay and recognition of the Electrical Workers' Union by the Association.

Till Monday the strike seemed ineffective as the Association had obtained members to fill the positions vacated by the operators and members of the Union in order to ensure regular showing of films.

The strike is now in full swing in Manchester and Hull.—Trans-Ocean.

WATERLOO COLOURS OF SCOTS GUARDS

London, To-day.

Three old Colours of the Scots Guards which were carried at the Battle of Waterloo and in the Peninsula War, were received by the Duke of Gloucester yesterday, and hung ceremoniously in Worcester Cathedral.

The flags, which were lost after Waterloo, were recently discovered in a house in Worcester.—Reuter.

REVENUE DOWN

London, To-day.

The Exchequer return shows that the total ordinary revenue to date amounts to £28,506,901 compared with £37,179,660 at the corresponding date of 1937.—British Wireless.

Pressure For Naming Of Aggressors Other Than Japan

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt's unusual step in endorsing a treaty concluded by two European nations (the Anglo-Italian Agreement) took Washington by surprise, but caused observers to believe that sound political reasons lay behind the move.

It is strongly rumoured that Representative Byron Scott (Democrat, California) obtained President Roosevelt's tacit approval at the White House last week for a resolution to be sent to the State Department to-day calling on the Government publicly to name those nations who have infringed treaties with it.

Japan is already so named, and Representative Scott hopes that Italy and Germany may be similarly condemned for the invasion of Spain in contravention to the Kellogg Pact.

Although the conservatives with the State Department will undoubtedly oppose this course, Representative Scott believes the President himself inclines towards it.

ROOSEVELT'S POSITION

If so, President Roosevelt could scarcely repeat his Chicago condemnation of aggressors without embarrassing Mr. Neville Chamberlain's entente with Mussolini, but by specifically approving the Anglo-Italian Pact, President Roosevelt removes the sting from any fresh condemnation of aggressors that generally he may be contemplating.—Reuter.

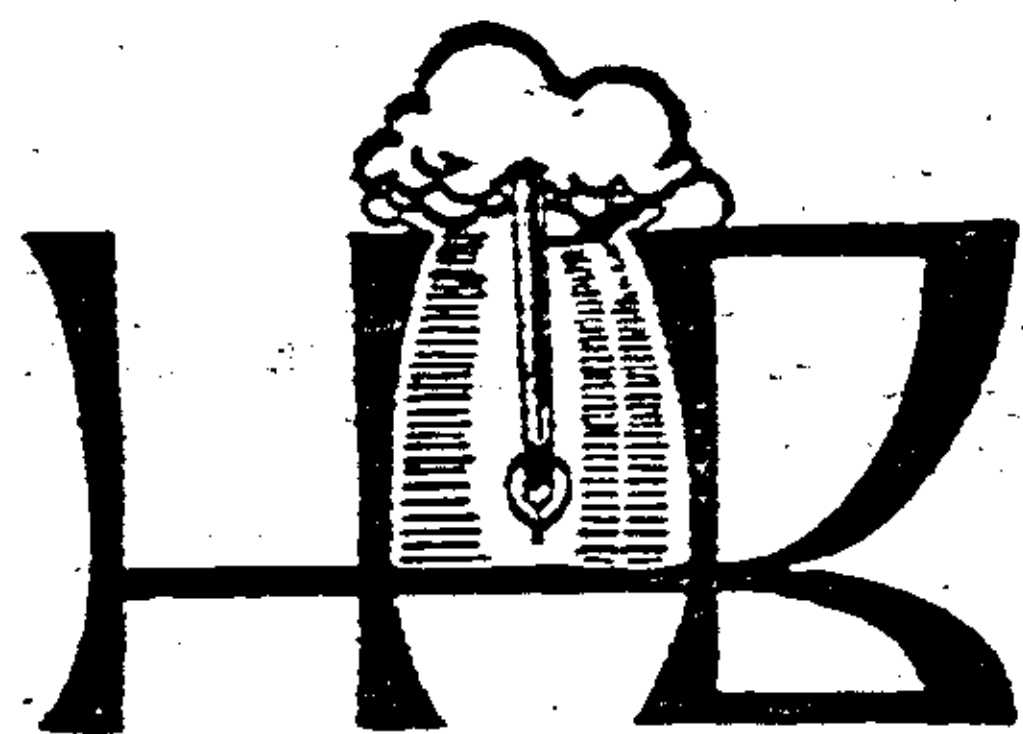
BANKRUPTCY OF SPANISH BOARD

London, To-day.

A meeting of the Chairman's Subcommittee of the non-intervention committee has been called for next Monday.

It is understood the principal business at present in view is the financial position of the Non-Intervention Board which is charged with the administration of the observation scheme.

At the last meeting of the subcommittee on March 31st., the Secretary called attention to the depletion of the Board's funds owing to the financial contributions of the countries parties to the agreement being in arrears and a memorandum was, by direction of the committee, circulated to Governments with a request for early instructions to representatives.—British Wireless.



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China Providents Have Profitable Year

THE OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES BETWEEN CHINA AND JAPAN WHICH RESULTED IN A CONSIDERABLE QUANTITY OF CARGO DESTINED FOR NORTH CHINA PORTS BEING DISCHARGED IN HONG KONG, RESULTED IN THE FINE SHOWING OF THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY ACCORDING TO THE REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN, MR. S. M. CHURN, READ AT THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD THIS MORNING IN THE JACOBAN ROOM OF THE HONG KONG HOTEL.

The year under review started under favourable conditions, but as the mid-year was reached the outlook became obscure and uncertain following the outbreak of trouble between China and Japan. However, as the conflict developed and North China sea ports became involved, a considerable quantity of cargo destined for these ports had to be discharged here.

The pressure for storage space from this source was so considerable that in a relatively short period practically all the godowns of Hong Kong were filled to capacity. Your Company obtained a very fair share of this special business, to cope with which it became necessary to lease outside Godowns and open spaces, the working of all of which has contributed in no small measure towards the satisfactory showing of a net profit for the year of \$258,018.23, after making full provision for all contingencies, but excluding any charge for depreciation.

NO DEPRECIATION

The reason for not charging depreciation, is that as the value of our properties was heavily written down for the purpose of the Capital Re-organisation which was carried out during the year, and all properties have been maintained in a good state of repair out of current revenue, your Board decided that in these circumstances, depreciation was unnecessary.

Turning to the Balance Sheet, Gentlemen, you will observe that in compliance with the Capital Re-organisation scheme which you approved and which was sanctioned by the Court, our Property Account has been written down by over \$2,000,000.00, and our Capital has been reduced in accordance with the provisions of the scheme.

In other respects our Balance Sheet follows the form of previous years, and I do not think that there are any items which call for comments from the Chair, except, perhaps, that our investment in the Sandakan Light and Power Company is of such a nature that the Ordinance requires it to be shown as a subsidiary Company. Also, the other provisions of the Ordinance with reference to Subsidiary Companies have been complied with through the statement which you see appended to the Balance Sheet.

I would avail myself of this opportunity to inform shareholders that the Waterloo Road and Kwong Wah Street properties of the Company have been re-modelled, and are now in full occupation at remunerative rentals.

The destructive typhoon of last September caused some damage to our properties, but being fully insured, the damage was made good at the expense of the Insurance Company.

10 PER CENT. BONUS

As in previous years your staff has worked very loyally and diligently, and the Board hopes that its recommendation that a bonus of 10% be paid to those on the permanent staff, will receive your approval.

Although what I am now about to announce is outside of the business of to-day's Meeting, I am sure shareholders will be interested to learn that the call of \$1.75 per share on the partly paid shares met with a very favourable response, the amount uncollected at date being only \$6,263.25. Shareholders will also be glad to know that with the assistance of our Bankers, the loan of \$500,000.00 was paid off on March 28 last, and a saving of interest has been effected. Our Bankers have since been reimbursed out of the call moneys.

I cannot pretend to be able to forecast the future especially when it is surrounded by so much uncertainty, but I can and do tell you that we always manage to get a fair share of the storage business of this Colony; that for the first quarter of the present year, we have done very well and given fair conditions we should be able to produce a good showing at the end of the year.

Messrs. S. M. Churn and T. B. Wilson were re-elected directors on the proposal of Mr. E. W. Blackmore, seconded by Mr. J. Middleton Smith, while Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming and Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-elected auditors on the proposal of Mr. Churn, seconded by Mr. B. C. Randall.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING

Following the ordinary meeting an extraordinary meeting was held at which the chairman said:—

Gentlemen, As you will have gathered from the Notice just read, the business of this Extraordinary Meeting is to increase, consolidate and re-increase the Capital of the Company.

Your Board feels that as the shares of the Company have for so long been expressed in the denomination of \$5.00 each, it is desirable that we should revert to this value, hence it has summoned this Meeting for such purpose.

Advantage has also been taken of the occasion for this Meeting, to introduce a resolution for the purpose of increasing the authorised Capital to \$4,000,000.00 by the creation of new shares. It is not proposed to issue any of these shares for the time being; we are simply paving the way for the future in case business conditions should improve to that extent as to make desirable the introduction of additional working capital.

With these remarks, I formally propose that:

1. That the Capital of the Company be increased from \$2,210,917.50 divided into 884,367 shares of \$2.50 each to \$2,210,920.00 divided into 884,368 shares of \$2.50 by the creation of one new share of \$2.50, and that such new share be issued at such time and upon such terms and conditions as the Directors may determine.
2. That upon allotment of the new share aforesaid, the shares in the Capital of the Company be consolidated in such manner that every two shares of \$2.50 shall constitute one share of \$5.00 credited as fully paid; That the existing certificates of shares be called in by the Directors and cancelled, and that new certificates be issued, subject to the provisions of the Company's Articles of Association; AND that simultaneously with such consolidation as aforesaid, the nominal Capital of the Company be increased from \$2,210,920.00 divided into 442,184 shares of \$5.00 each to \$4,000,000.00 divided into 800,000 shares of \$5.00 each by the creation of 357,816 new shares of \$5.00 each, and further that such new shares be issued at such times and upon such terms and conditions and with such rights and privileges as the Directors may determine.

Mr. N. V. A. Croucher seconded and the motion was passed.

The following attended:—

Messrs. S. M. Churn, chairman, P. M. Hodgson, N. V. A. Croucher, J. P. Braga and Li Tse-fong, (directors), Mr. J. C. Gutierrez, secretary, and the following shareholders:—Messrs. B. C. Randall, E. W. Blackmore, H. Q. Hunt, S. M. Bander, A. M. C. Rosario, H. C. Lam, L. Jack, J. Tam Hung, E. J. M. Churn, P. Vaswani, J. Middleton Smith for J. J. Edgar, Arthur Samy, J. E. Kotwall and the Misses Stella Bander and P. Perritt.

WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is highest over South Manchuria and the Pacific to the east of the Bonins; it is relatively low over Tongking and Hokkaido.

Local forecast:—E. and S. E. winds, moderate; cloudy generally, local fog.

MACAO ELECTRIC CO.'S GOOD YEAR

A far more favourable year than in 1936, was reported by Mr. F. J. Gellion, the Chairman, at the Annual Meeting of the Macao Electric Lighting Company held this morning.

Mr. Gellion said:—After providing for Depreciation, a sum amounting to \$94,026.30 the net profit for the year totals \$113,258.76 which together with the sum of \$87,123.72 brought forward from the year 1936, makes the total amount available for appropriation \$200,382.48.

With this it is proposed to pay a dividend of \$1 per share on 90,000 shares which absorbs \$90,000.00 and to pay the Government of Macau 5 per cent. of this amount (as per Article 15 of our Extension Contract) which is \$4,500.00 so leaving a balance of \$105,882.48 to be carried forward to this year's account.

The results of the year are far better than the year 1936, and were up to our expectations due to the fact that the Electric Fiscalisation Tax question had been satisfactorily settled, the new law being put into force from 1st January 1937.

The Kilowatt-hours sold for the year showed an increase of 17 per cent. over the previous year and although operating on adverse exchange rates we were able to slightly reduce our operation costs.

The number of new consumers obtained during 1937, were 5 per cent. more than in 1936.

Unfortunately the bad typhoon of September last cost the Company a considerable amount in repairs, particularly our Low Tension Aerial Net Work and Public Lighting equipment, also some of the buildings.

All of the Company's plant and equipment has been maintained in good state and efficiency.

Our revenue for the First Quarter of this year is higher than the corresponding quarter of 1937 and I believe we can look forward to even better results on this year's working.

Present were Messrs. N. G. Beale, Wong Yew Chiu and F. J. Gellion (Chairman) (Directors), Mr. G. G. N. Tinson (representing the Secretaries), and Mr. John Fleming and Mr. A. B. Raworth (shareholders).

BRITONS CHARGED WITH VAGRANCY

James Flannigan, native of Liverpool, and John Gordon McDaniel, of Durban, were this morning charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy with vagrancy and were committed to the House of Detention.

The first defendant, a ship's fireman, missed his boat as he was in hospital, with fever and arrangements are being made for him to be sent to England.

The second defendant claimed that he had come from South Africa on a ship which had now been broken up. He tried to get work here, but failed. The Police are communicating with his relatives for arrangements for his repatriation.

TWO YEARS' HARD LABOUR

Found guilty of robbing two Chinese of clothing, torches, and spectacles at Tsun Wan after breaking into their residence, Tang Tin-sang, unemployed, was sentenced to two years hard labour by the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice R. W. Lindsell, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Mr. John Whyatt, Assistant Attorney General, appeared on behalf of the Crown.



These are scenes from the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company Talking Picture entitled "The Inside Story," which is being screened at the King's Theatre on April 22nd at 12 noon.

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THE HIGH COST OF ARMING

"I speak a literal truth," Gladstone wrote to Cobden in 1860, "when I say that in these days it is more difficult to save a shilling than to spend a million." There was then, as now, a threatening international outlook, the only difference being that France was the potential enemy. There was then, as there is to-day, fighting in China. Britain, in despite of the crowned heads of Europe, was holding out the hand of friendship to an Italy newly won to independence and unity, as it has now achieved an armistice-like understanding with an Italy which has lately seized an Empire. Palmerston, the Prime Minister, was pressing for heavy expenditure on fortifications, and Gladstone, his Chancellor of the Exchequer, was stubbornly begrudging every penny. "The whole question," he noted in his diary, "is, can we be satisfied with twenty-one millions for Army and Navy instead of twenty-seven?" Twenty-one millions is almost precisely the amount which Britain is planning to borrow alone—for Army expenditure only during the coming financial year. It is roughly one-fifth of the total of the Army expenditure. It is a little more than one-seventeenth of the total of £352 millions of defence expenditure contemplated during 1938-39. National expenditure as a whole, largely under the stimulus of defence requirements, will for the first time exceed £1,000 millions in the coming year, the increase alone over 1937-38 being nearly equal to that sum of £70 millions which

Disraeli said England could not go on raising in peace-time with impunity!

Such is the sense of insecurity, and such the pressure of rearmament, that the ability of the fighting services to spend the money, and not the capacity of the Chancellor to provide it, has become the measure of the budgetary provision for defence. John Morley says of Gladstone, in the struggles of 1860, that "he was keen, from the lessons of experience, to expose the ever indestructible fallacy that mighty armaments make for peace." There is an even more dangerous fallacy, and that is that a wealthy nation can procure peace by the example of laying aside its arms. Britain tried this experiment after the War. There was no response. She fell behind in the European armaments race to the point of actual danger. Now she is grimly endeavouring to overtake arrears by an expenditure so prodigious that even the £1,500 millions provisionally allotted for defence requirements between 1937 and 1941 is expected to be insufficient. The vastness of the burden of Empire defence which Britain has thus assumed is still arousing questionings whether the Cabinet is doing enough to provide for protection. We are rebuilding the defences which were allowed to fall into disrepair during the depression, but our effort may safely be assumed to be no greater than others are making with less clamour and publicity.

The figures quoted in the recent White Paper are nevertheless impressive as reflecting not only the immensity of Britain's financial resources but the energy, resolution and resource of her people in face of a challenge to their safety and interests. The enormous rearmament effort, now well on the way to fulfilment, is the answer to enemies who glibly pronounced Britain decadent and her world-wide possessions ripe fruit for plunder. Once more she is prepared to defend herself and maintain her rights at home and abroad. Yet, despite the wealth that is being poured out on soldiers and ships and aeroplanes, Britain's intentions remain entirely pacific. The White Paper mentions that the cost of future defence plans will depend upon the degree of success which attends the efforts of the Government to achieve some appeasement in international affairs. Without rearmament those efforts assuredly would have been foredoomed to failure. If Britain had approached the triple-armed dictator countries without weapons at her back, she would have been snubbed for her pains. To-day she can negotiate on a basis of equality. She has won respect as well as security, though the price has been and is terrific. Disraeli, in the speech already quoted, said that if England could not go on raising £70 millions a year in peace-time, no country could. Neither Britain nor any other nation can continue spending £350 millions a year on armaments; the alternatives are international impoverishment and bankruptcy or war. If Mr. Chamberlain can find a way out of this crucial dilemma he will deserve the gratitude not only of the Empire, but of all mankind. We are left wondering whether the peculiar formula of the Anglo-Italian Pact that sum of £70 millions which contributes anything to that end.

MOTOR TRIP FROM H. K. TO CHUNGKING

Dr. W. Crawford Finds Seeing Is Believing

AMOY UNIVERSITY ESCAPES BOMBS

Canton, To-day.

Towns along the South China Coast were raided by several fleets of Japanese bombers yesterday and at Amoy, Amoy University narrowly escaped being totally demolished when several bombs dropped close by.

The Railways with terminuses at Canton were also raided.

Repair-gangs are still working on the wrecked bridge at Shek Lung but according to railway officials here the line will not be available for through traffic until Friday or Saturday.

Expert anti-aircraft marksmen are now manning the A.A. batteries in that neighbourhood to protect the repair gangs and the line from bombings.—Our Own Correspondent.

BRITISH COAL EXPORTS

London, To-day.

The value of British coal exports in the first quarter of 1938 was \$8,831,784 compared with \$7,462,290 in the same quarter of the previous year and \$6,632,390 in the March quarter of 1936. The tonnage, however, was slightly less at 8,560,100.

Italy took 670,553 tons against 322,997 a year ago. There was also increase in exports to Germany from 699,999 tons in the March quarter of 1937 to 875,876 tons and exports to Spain showed a recovery compared with the corresponding quarter of the two preceding years.—British Wireless.

WARRANT FOR ARREST OF ARCHDUKE OTTO

Berlin, To-day.

It is officially confirmed that a warrant was issued for the arrest of Archduke Otto, Pretender to the Hapsburg throne, on a charge of suspected high treason, in March.—Reuter.

EXPEDITION TO EXPLORE HIMALAYAS

Berlin, To-day.

A new German expedition to explore the Eastern Himalayas in Tibet, will leave from Genoa on Thursday.

Headed by Dr. Ernst Schaefer, a group leader in the Black Guards, the expedition will last two years

China's Great National Effort For Prolonged War

Chungking, To-day.

"China is now preparing for a war of three years' duration," Chinese officials and soldiers told the Canadian medico, Dr. W. Crawford, as he drove to Chungking from Hong Kong in an open motor-car accompanied by his wife.

Dr. Crawford arrived here last night after nine days in actual travelling, mostly over newly-opened routes. He made the journey here via Canton and then along the Hunan-Kiangsi border to Changsha, and thence via Kweiyang.

Describing war preparations on a nation-wide scale he had seen en route, Dr. Crawford said "I would never have believed it possible if I had not seen it with my own eyes."

He stated the entire male population in the provinces of Hunan, Kwangsi and Kweichow seemed to be receiving military training.

The Crawfords constantly encountered small groups of peasants drilling enthusiastically and being taught the use of firearms. Some were even drilling with spears.

MUNITIONS PLENTIFUL
Munitions appeared to be plentiful, and they saw thousands of cases of munitions being taken to remote hiding places in the hills.

Everywhere they saw evidence of immense planned activities — new airfields being levelled, roads being made and provided with steel bridges, and railways extended and improved.

Many Chinese students educated abroad were supervising the work in the capacity of officers of the Chinese army.

NEW DIVISIONS
They were optimistic over the eventual outcome of the war, declaring China was able to outlast Japan's strength.

Dr. Crawford met several new divisions of Chinese troops marching to the east front, and was favourably impressed with their appearance.—Reuter.

THE POPE

Rome, To-day.

The Pope will retire to his summer residence at Castel Gandolfo on April 30, says an announcement.—Trans-Ocean.

LUIGI MARZINI ARRESTED BY JAPANESE

Peiping, To-day.

Luigi Marzini, correspondent of the Italian newspaper "Corriere della Sera," who was on board the Panay when she was sunk, has been arrested by the Japanese in Jehol City.

Marzini was one of a party of eleven foreigners visiting Jehol over Easter, and on the return journey frontier guards at Kupeikow arrested him for an unknown reason and took him to Jehol City.

The Italian Embassy here has made representations to the Japanese Embassy.—Reuter.

FOUR-POWER PACT TALK DENIED

London, To-day.

Reports about alleged discussions with the object of drawing up a pact between Britain, France, Italy and Germany, during the visit of the French Ministers, M. Daladier and M. Bonnet, here seem to be without foundation.

Well-informed circles declared this morning that the French Government had also pointed out during Easter that the discussion of a west European pact during the ministerial visit was not considered practical.—Trans-Ocean.

ANTI-NAZI INCIDENT IN PRAGUE

Prague, To-day.

Stones were thrown at the house of the German military attache in Prague by a number of Czechs yesterday when the Swastika flag was run up over the house.

An official of the Czech Foreign Office called on the German Embassy later to apologise for the incident.—Reuter.



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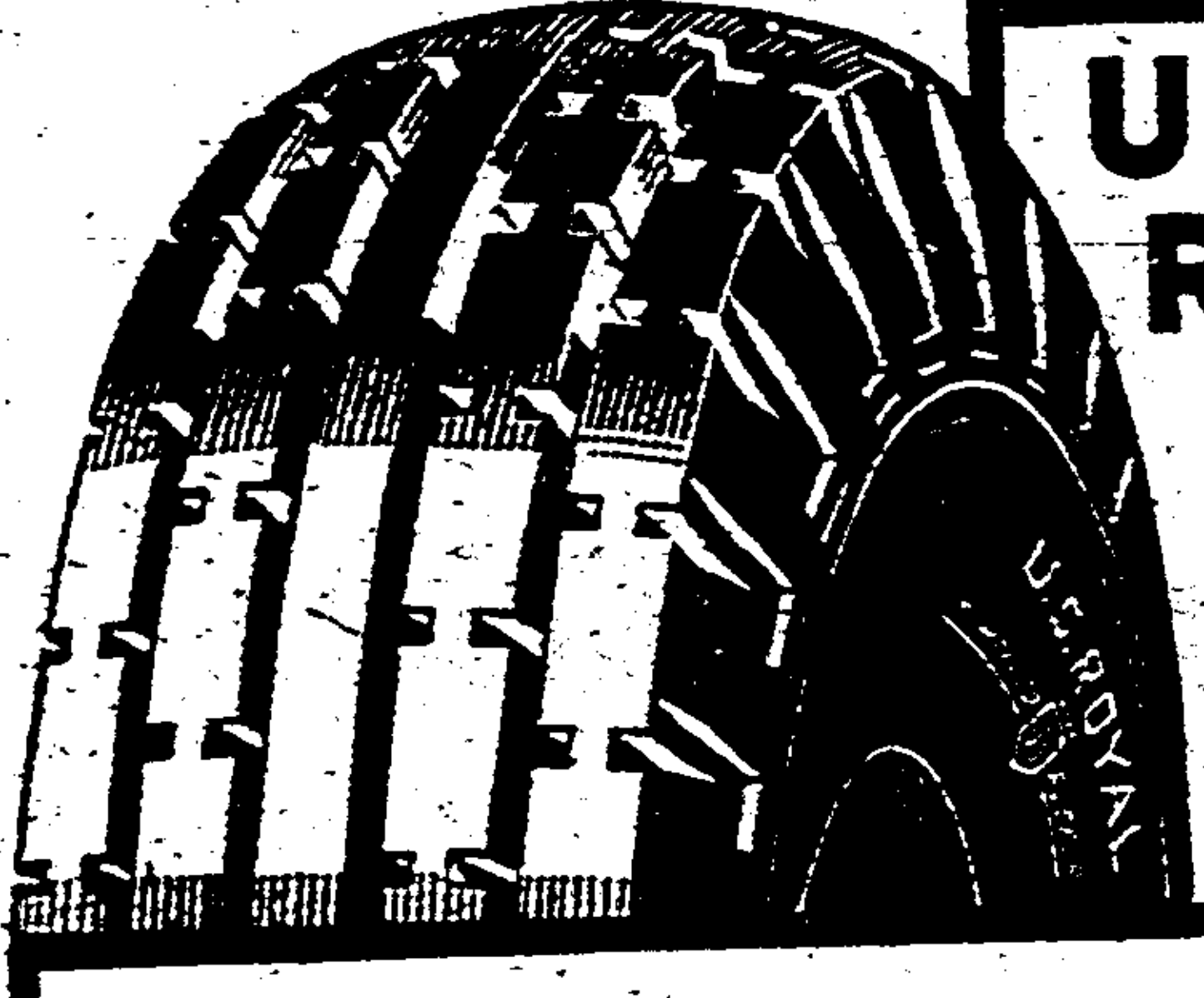
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German Comment On Anglo-Italian Agreement

Berlin, To-day.

The first official comment on the Anglo-Italian Agreement appears in the "Diplomatische Korrespondenz."

"Germany warmly welcomes this political event for a variety of reasons," says the journal.

"It accords with the principles and methods Germany would like to see adopted in the relations between foreign powers, and involves a number of principles adopted by Germany long ago.

"If, moreover, the effect of this agreement is to relieve a friend like Italy from tension in foreign relations, then Germany can only welcome it.

"The character of the relations between Germany and Italy is that of an axis, not a separating wall."—Reuter.

PRIMROSE DAY

London, To-day.

Yesterday being Primrose Day, a number of Conservative Members of Parliament laid wreaths at the foot of the statue of Disraeli in Parliament Square.

Members of the Primrose League made the annual pilgrimage to his grave.—Reuter.

M. CODREANU PLACED ON TRIAL

Bucharest, To-day.

M. Codreanu, arrested leader of the Rumanian Fascist Iron Guard, was brought to Bucharest yesterday morning under armed guard.

He is being charged before a military tribunal with slandering Professor Iorga, the ex-Prime Minister.

M. Codreanu, who is a lawyer, spoke in his own defence. He said he did not attack M. Iorga as a member of the Government but as a journalist who had often attacked him in his paper.

The trial is considered as only the preliminary to the big trial of all the arrested Iron Guard leaders.

M. Codreanu was sentenced yesterday to six months imprisonment.—Reuter.

FINE IMPOSED

Trans-Ocean says that M. Codreanu was fined 2,000 lei for "affronting an official personage." M. Codreanu accepted the verdict and is not appealing to the higher court. He was not placed under arrest but it is believed he will be ordered to return to his former place of detention at the town of Pedireal.

MILESTONE TO PEACE

Even a first glance at the latest issues of German newspapers reveals the importance which German political opinion attaches to the new Anglo-Italian agreement.

The Voelkische Beobachter, organ of the National Socialist Party, in a leading article entitled "Mediterranean Peace" seeks to impress upon its readers that the Anglo-Italian agreement is something more than just one of those attempts in which two countries seek to settle their differences, such as occurred on countless occasions throughout the postwar era. This new agreement, the paper adds, liquidates the past.

"We Germans welcome the new settlement with unqualified joy in that it signifies—just as the German-Italian friendship embodied in the Berlin-Rome axis—a milestone on the road to European peace," adds the paper.—Trans-Ocean.

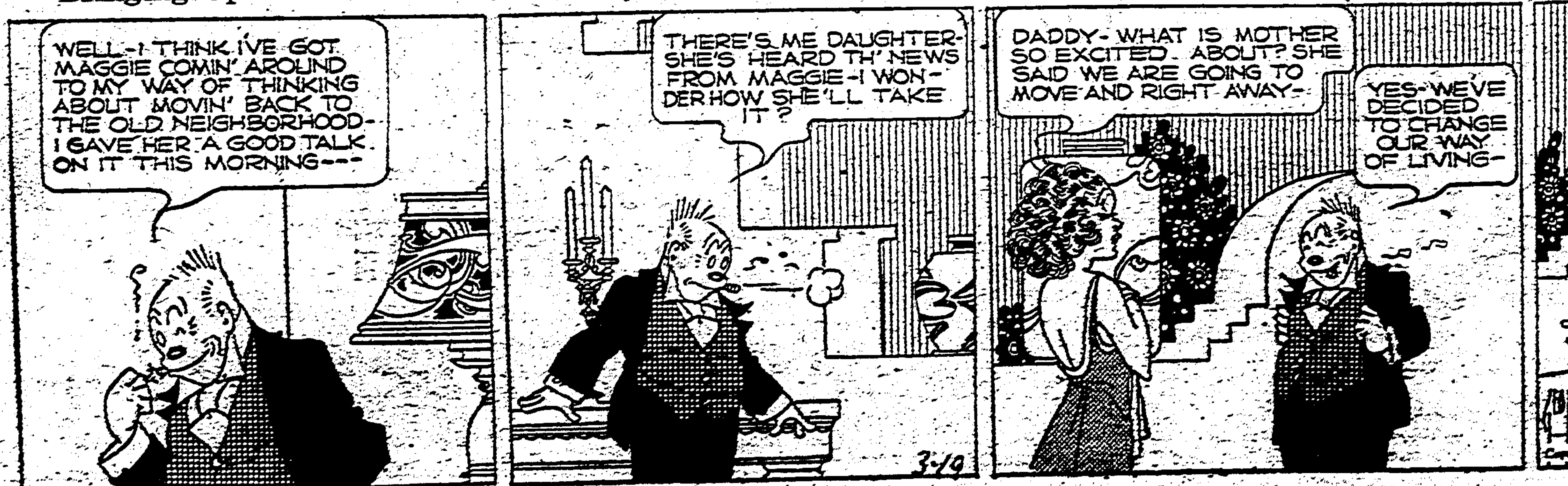
KING AND QUEEN AT WINDSOR

London, To-day.

The King and Queen, who are spending the Easter holidays at Windsor Castle, yesterday paid several visits to their tenants on the Windsor estate.

The two little Princesses spent two hours horseback riding in Windsor Great Park.—Reuter.

Bringing Up Father



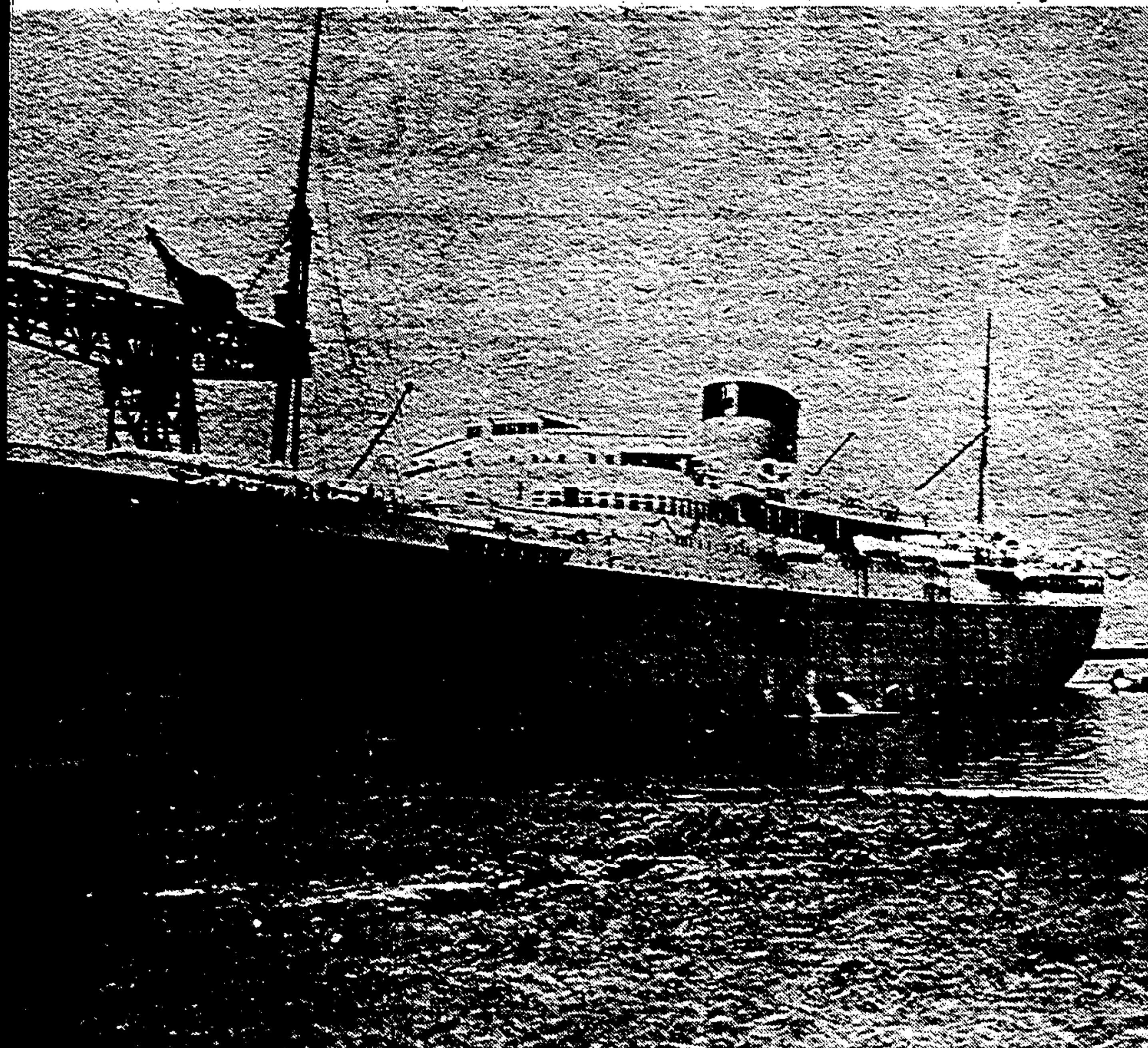
WELL—I THINK I'VE GOT MAGGIE COMIN' AROUND TO MY WAY OF THINKING ABOUT MOVIN' BACK TO THE OLD NEIGHBORHOOD—I GAVE HER A GOOD TALK ON IT THIS MORNING---

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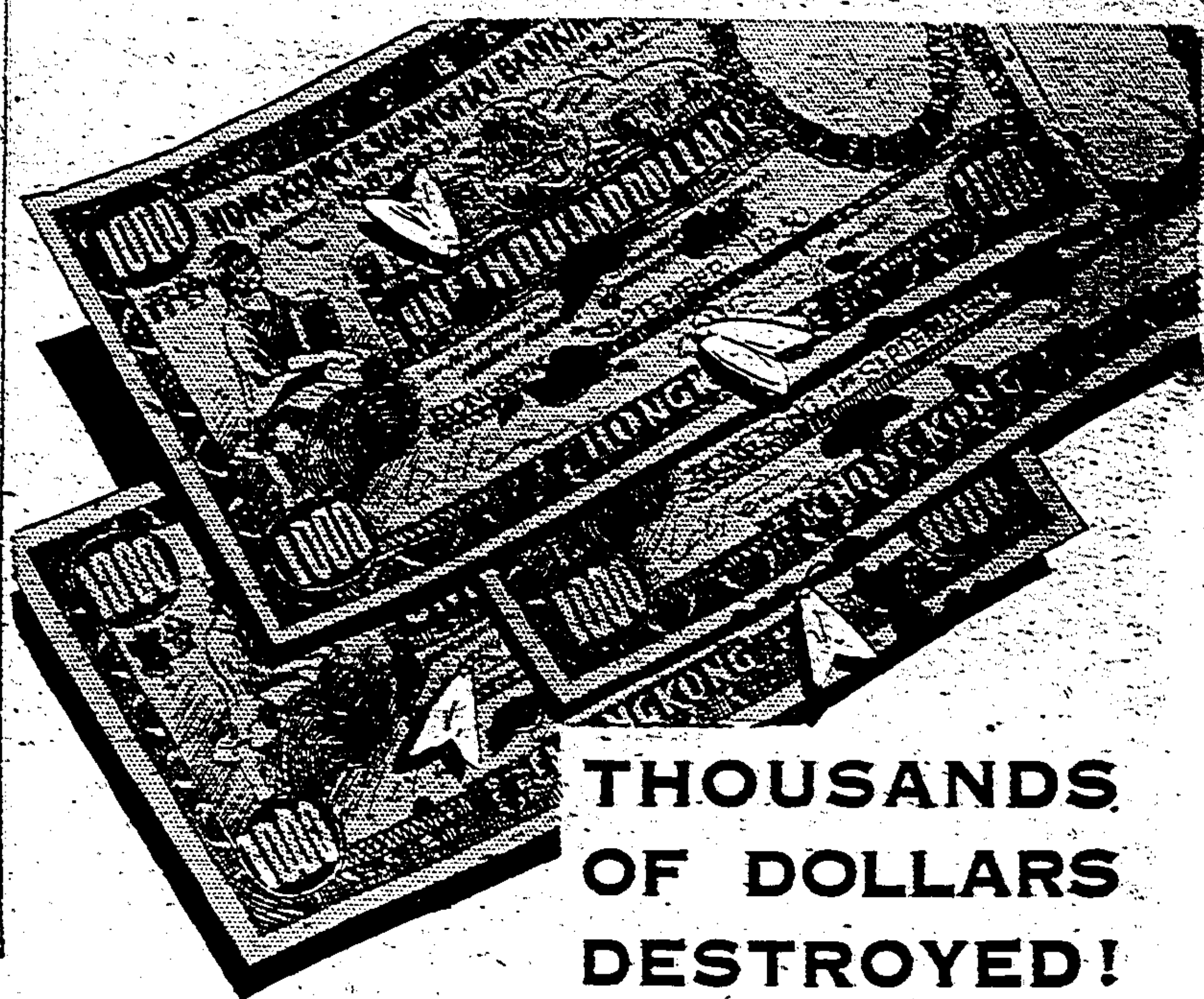
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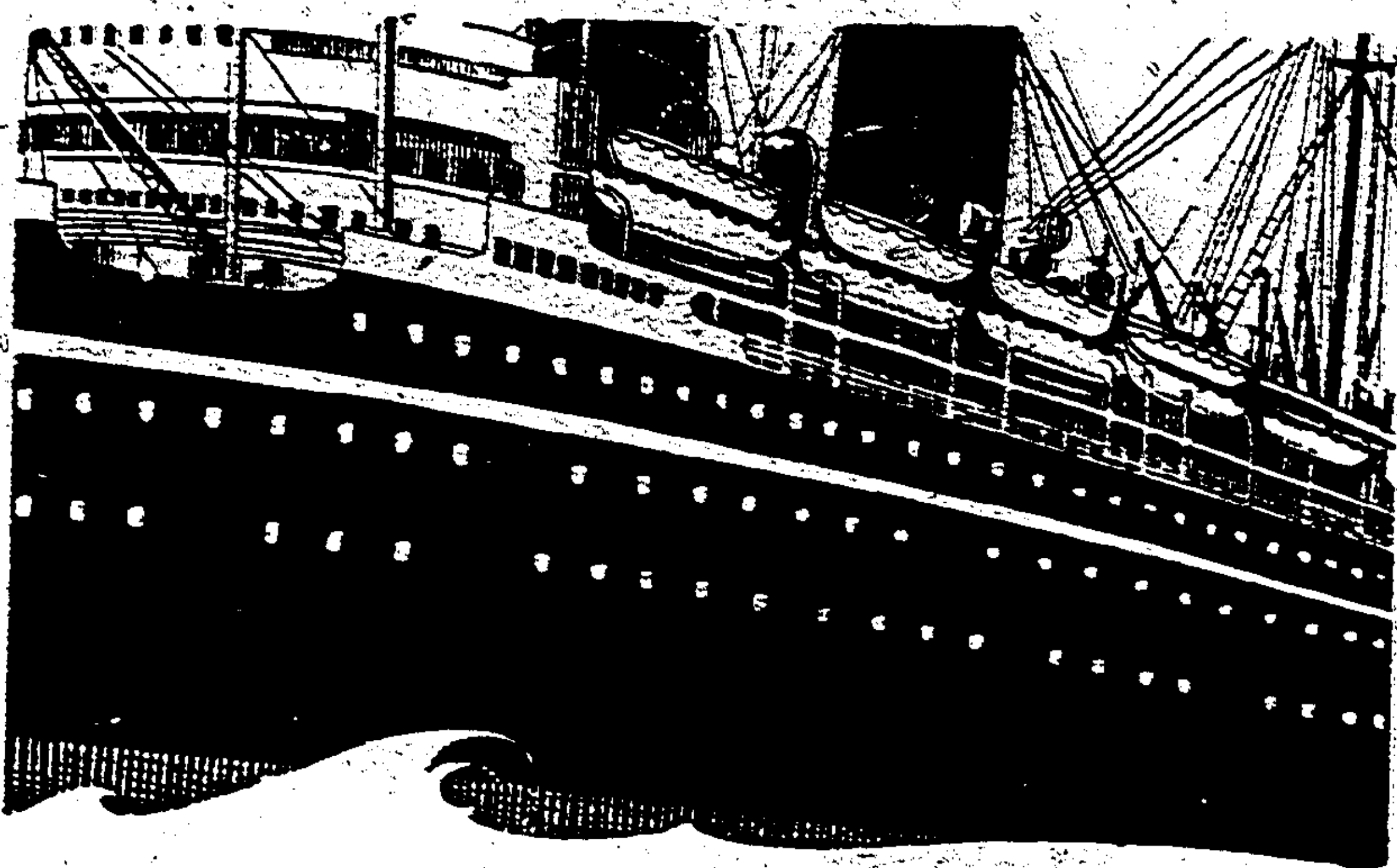
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INWARD MAILS

Japan	Yuensang	April 20.
Shanghai and Foochow	Kingyuan	April 20.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 14th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 20.
Japan	Buenos Aires Maru	April 20.
Saigon	Albert Sarraut	April 20.
Japan	Cyclops	April 20.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kwangtung	April 21.
Austrana and Manila	Kamo Maru	April 21.
Amoy	Tilawa	April 21.
Calcutta and Straits	Suisang	April 21.
Japan and Shanghai	Bhutan	April 21.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 14th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 22.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 15th April	Pan-American Airways Plane	April 22.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 2nd April).	Emp. of Canada	April 22.
Japan	Kitano Maru	April 22.
Japan and Formosa	Haruna Maru	April 22.
Straits	Patroclus	April 22.
Shanghai and Amoy	Chekiang	April 22.
Straits	Bellerophon	April 23.
Manila	Glaucus	April 23.
Japan and Shanghai	Potsdam	April 24.
Shanghai and Amoy	Taiyuan	April 24.

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For	Per	Date and Time
Wednesday		
Air Mail for Sian, Lanchow and Eurasia Plane	Wed., April 20,	
Chengtu etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Reg.,	April 20, 4.30 p.m.
	Ord.,	April 20, 5 p.m.
Kongmoon	Fook On	April 20, 10 a.m.
Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin	Nanning	April 20, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Shanghai and Tientsin	Fooshing	April 20, 12.30 p.m.
Straits, Aden, Egypt, and *Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 19th May and London Parcels—due London, 25th May.	Agamemnon	Wed., April 20, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
	Par.,	April 20, 11 a.m.
	Reg.,	April 20, 12.45 p.m.
	Ord.,	April 20, 1.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kweilin, Kweichow and Chungking by the "C.N.A.C. Airways Direct Service."	C.N.A.C. Plane	Thurs., April 21, K. P. O.
	Reg.,	April 20, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	April 20, 5 p.m.
	Reg.,	April 20, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	April 21, 6 a.m.
Thursday		
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Hing	April 21, 8.15 a.m.
Saigon	Cyclops	April 21, 9.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	Tai Lee	April 21, 10 a.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 1st May.	Buenos-Aires Maru	Thurs., April 21, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
	Reg.,	April 21, 1.30 p.m.
	Ord.,	April 21, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. & S. Africa	Buenos Aires Maru	April 21, 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 28th April.	Imperial Airways Plane	April 21, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
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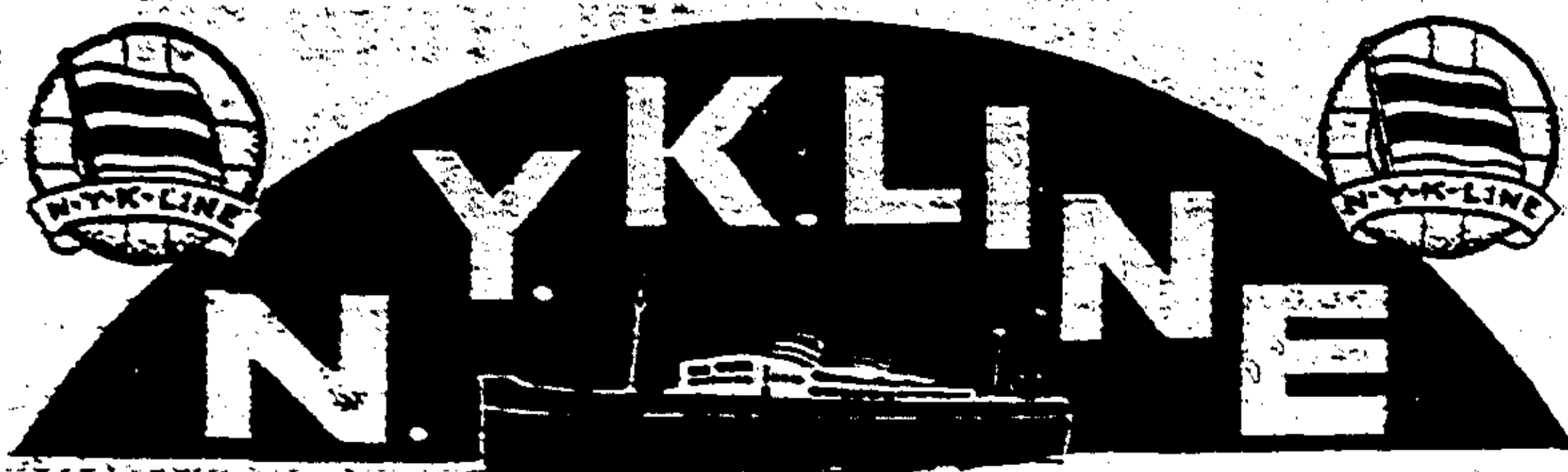
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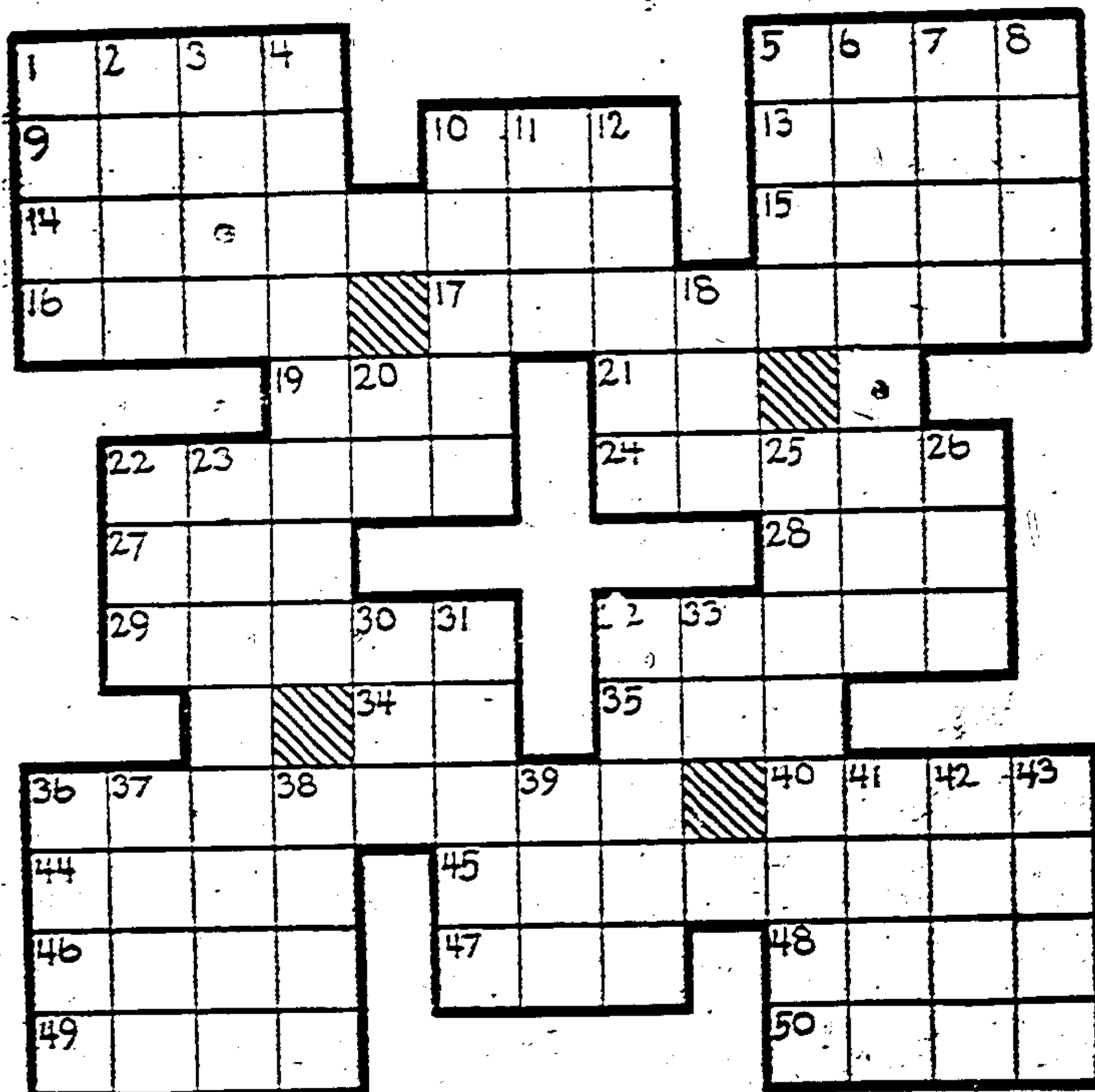
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- 13-Wife of Tyndareus (Gr. Myth.)
- 14-Opened
- 15-Soapstone
- 16-Dines
- 17-Young frogs
- 19-Definite article
- 21-Prefix indicating the dawn (Geol.)
- 22-Dimmer
- 24-Severely
- 27-Crude metal
- 28-Unit
- 29-Command
- 32-Browned bread
- 34-Very
- 35-An insect

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

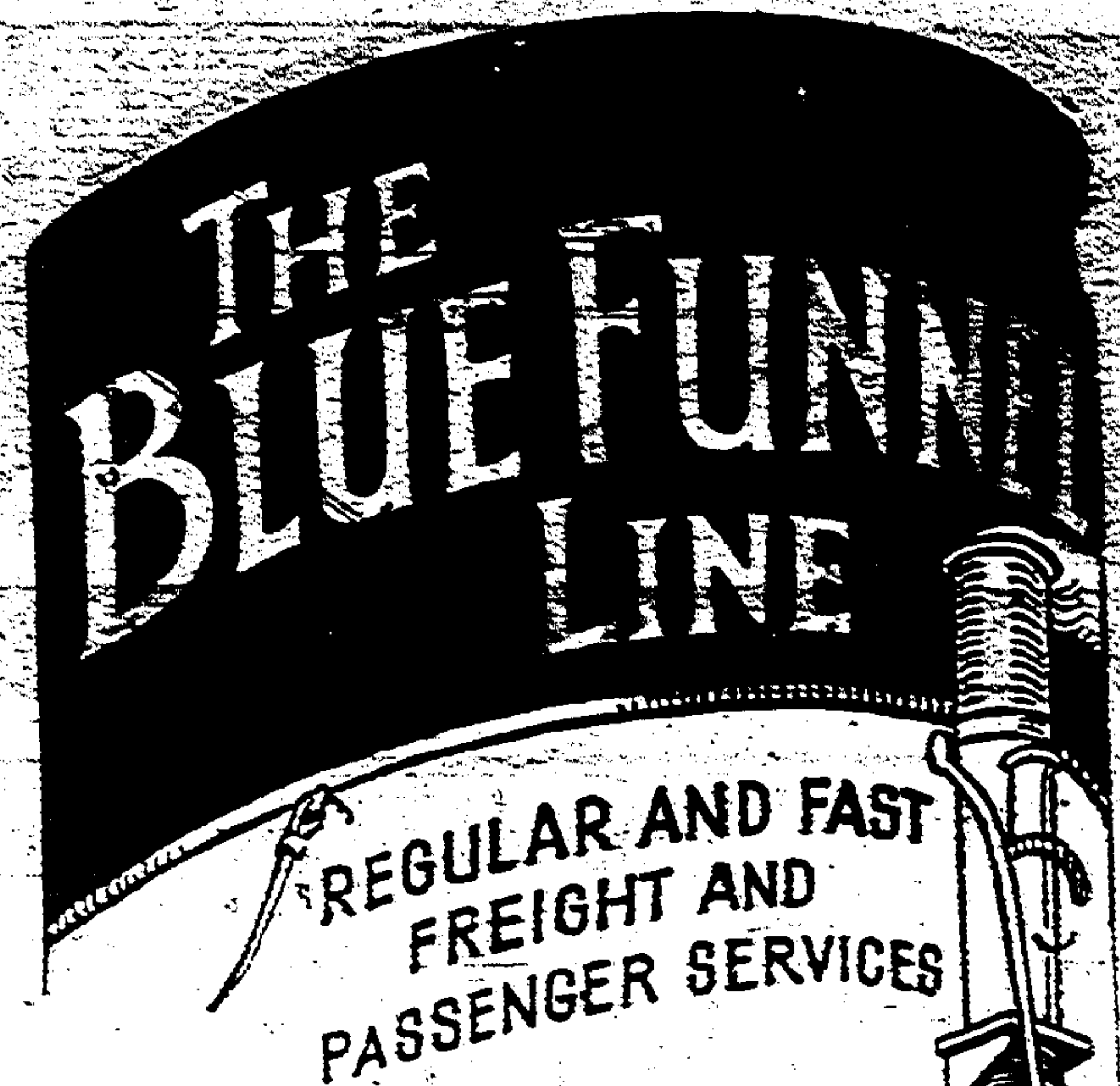
- 36-Members of the senate
- 40-Steel abrading instrument
- 44-Salary
- 45-One who withholds
- 46-River in Bohemia
- 47-Observe
- 48-Chief actor
- 49-Combining form. Middle
- 50-Jumps on one leg

VERTICAL

- 1-A color
- 2-Girl's name
- 3-A compass point
- 4-Struggled
- 5-Singing voice
- 6-Large seals
- 7-Not busy
- 8-Pouches

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 10-Change
- 11-Grassy meadow
- 12-A serpent
- 18-Hawaiian food
- 20-Pronoun
- 22-Post Office Order (abbr.)
- 23-Classifies
- 25-West Indian mullet
- 26-To steep, as flax
- 30-Superlative suffix
- 31-Length measure (pl.)
- 32-Sip
- 33-Ahead
- 35-Have a giddy sensation
- 37-Relieve
- 38-Combining form. Air
- 39-Wild (Scot.)
- 41-In
- 42-Jump
- 43-Makes a mistake

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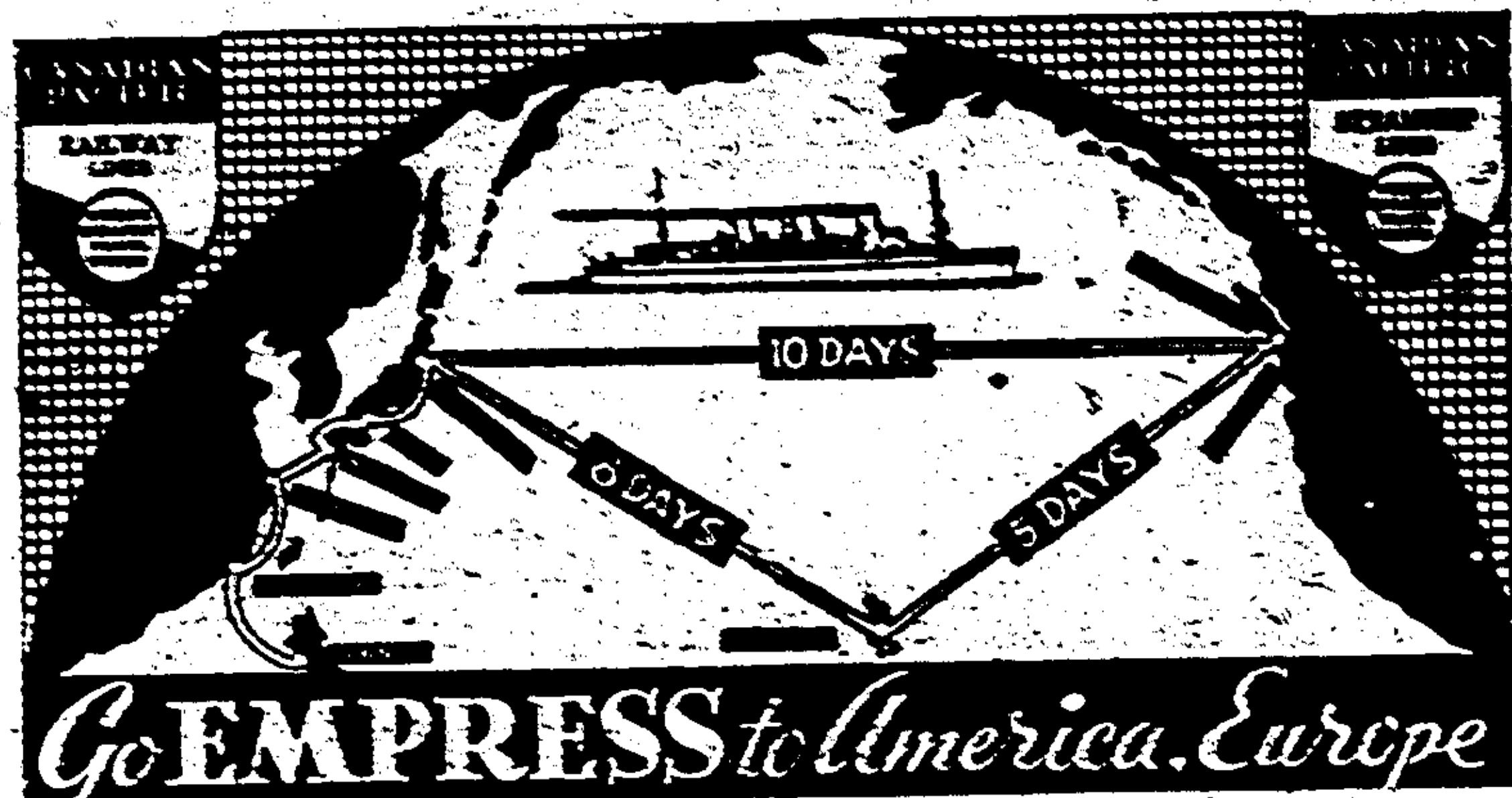
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"Spot" silver was quoted in London yesterday at 18-15/16 and forward at 18½.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$5.0012 and £—U.S.\$4.99-9/16.

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Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co. have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

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OIL FIND IN IRAQ

Baghdad, To-day.

Negotiations for granting oil concessions in the newly discovered oil field at Shah el Arab were started here yesterday between representatives of the Iraq Government and the Standard Oil Company.

The new oilfields are in the immediate vicinity of the Anglo-Iranian Company's fields.—Trans-Ocean.

THREE YEARS HARD FOR CHINESE COOK

Claiming that he only worked on the premises as an assistant cook, unemployed Yik Man was arraigned before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning on a charge of possession of two ounces of heroin on March 24 last in a house of 19 Fook Wah Street, Kowloon.

The jury were Messrs. C. Blum (Foreman), J. H. Maycock, L. M. V. Ribeiro, C. F. Remedios, Chiu Keung-wah, C. L. Rocha and M. P. Pincott.

The Assistant Attorney General, Mr. E. H. Williams, appeared on behalf of the Crown and stated that accused was arrested by Senior Revenue Officer A. W. Grimmitt, in the course of a raid. The drug sufficient to make 50,000 pills, was found in a small room, which was used as a heroin factory, in the area of the flat.

The jury unanimously returned a verdict of guilty, and accused was sentenced to three years' hard labour.

NEW GLIDING RECORD

London, To-day.

A new British gliding record was established on Monday by the well-known British glider, Christopher Nicholson, over a distance of approximately 200 kilometres.

His flight ended at Plymouth after three hours.—Trans-Ocean.

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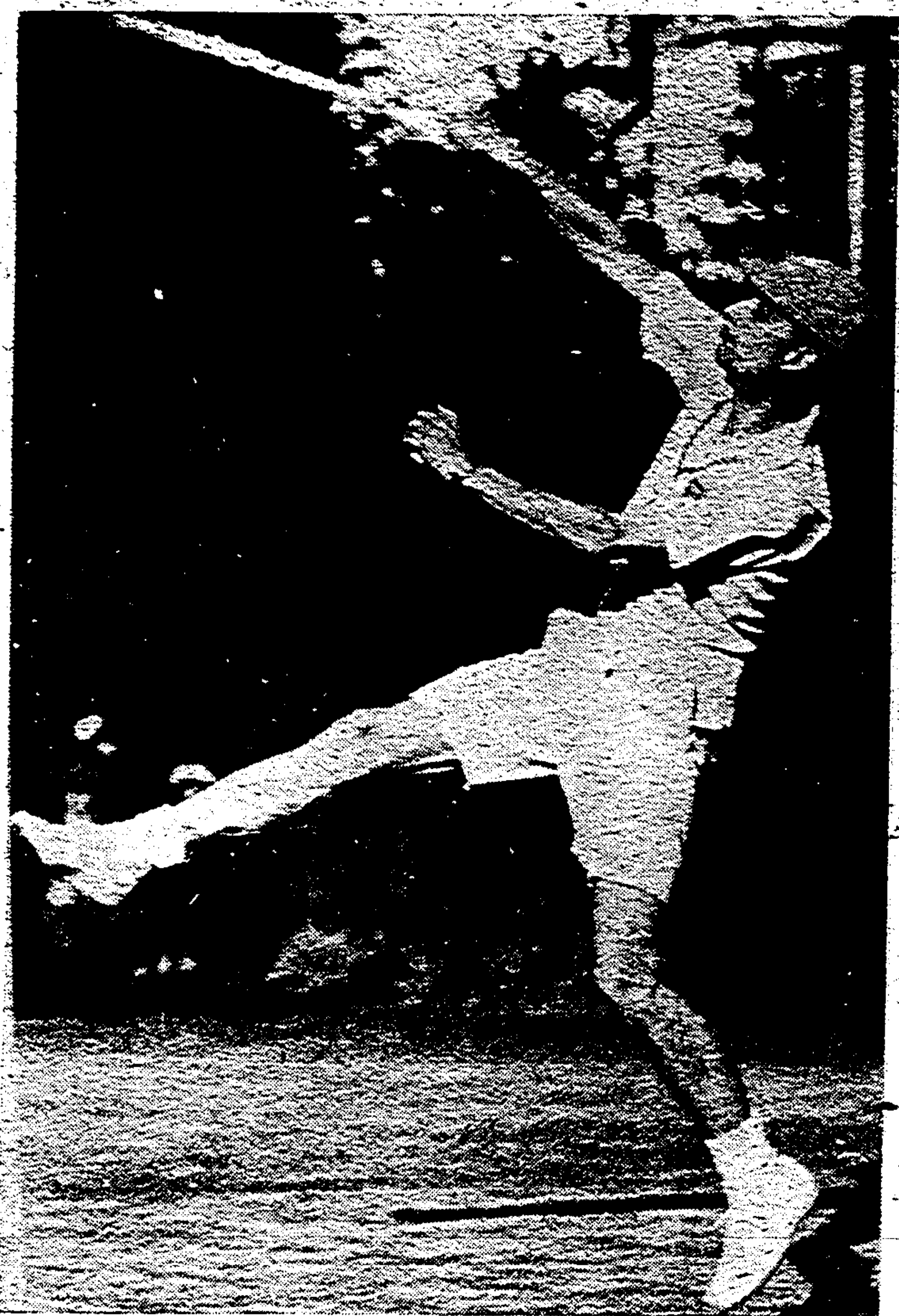
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POOR TENNIS SEEN AT H.K.C.C.



Bunny Austin, above, noted for his shorts and novel racket, produced a cap for the Beaulieu tournament which he is seen wearing.

MIDDLESEX BOXING TRIUMPH

Royal Scots Lose Inter Unit Final

The Middlesex Regiment added to their athletic laurels in the Colony when they overcame the Royal Scots in the finals of the Inter-Unit Boxing Championship, last night at Murray Barracks.

Of the 15 bouts on the programme, the Middlesex boxers won 11, and concluded with 26 points to their opponents 19.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, and His Excellency Major General A. W. Bartholomew, General Officer Commanding, were interested spectators, and prior to distributing the prizes Sir Geoffrey gave expression to the appreciation and enjoyment with which he had witnessed the fights.

In calling upon His Excellency to present the prizes, Brigadier A. B. Thomson, speaking on behalf of the Army, stated how grateful they were for the interest which the Governor took in their sports.

One of the finest bouts was the first-string lightweight, in which L/Cpl. Ellis (M'sex) staged a wonderful recovery in the last round to gain the decision over L/Cpl. Ritchie.

RESULTS

The complete results were:
Welterweight 4th String.—Pte. Zelle (Middlesex) beat Pte. Emmerson.
Lightweight 3rd String.—Pte. Head (Middlesex) beat Cpl. Elliot.
Middleweight 3rd String.—Pte. Webster (Middlesex) beat L/Cpl. Sowersby.
Welterweight 3rd String.—Pte. Sharkey (Royal Scots) beat Pte. Eaton.
Bantamweight.—Pte. Hope (Middlesex) beat Pte. Scott.

Featherweight 1st String.—Pte. Noble (Middlesex) beat Pte. Fraser.
Featherweight 2nd String.—Pte. 49 Miller (Royal Scots) beat Pte. Phillips.
Lightweight 1st String.—L/Cpl. Ellis (Middlesex) beat L/Cpl. Ritchie.
Lightweight 2nd String.—Pte. McBain (Royal Scots) beat L/Cpl. Gribble.
Welterweight 2nd String.—Pte. Milroy (Middlesex) knocked-out Pte. McGrady in the first round.
Middleweight 1st String.—L/Cpl. McGrady (Middlesex) beat Pte. McNally.

WONG SHIU WING AND LUK DING CHEONG WIN COMFORTABLY

OWEN HUGHES & PEARCE FAIL TO FIND FORM

(By REFEREE)

Luk Ding-cheong and Wong Shiu-wing, a C.R.C. "A" Division League tennis pairing, yesterday entered the semi-final round of the Colony Open Doubles Lawn Tennis Championship, when they beat H. Owen Hughes and T. A. Pearce in straight sets by 6-2, 6-2 in an extraordinarily poor encounter.

After the entertaining matches witnessed during the semi-finals of the Open Singles and Doubles Championships, yesterday's match fell far below any to date. Pearce was probably at his worst and failed lamentably with everything, except a sliced full-volley, which was nearly always returned for a winner.

OPEN SINGLES REPLAY THIS AFTERNOON

H. D. Rumjahn, The Holder, To Meet Tsui Yun Pui

A grand tennis match is anticipated at the H.K.C.C. this afternoon, commencing at 4.45 when Tsui Yun-pui and H. D. Rumjahn, holder of the title, meet in their replay in the semi-final round of the Open Singles Championship.

It will be recalled that on the last occasion on which they clashed, Rumjahn won the first two sets and Tsui the second two, the match being abandoned at 4-4 in the fifth and final set owing to poor light.

Middleweight 2nd String.—L/Cpl. Harris (Middlesex) knocked out Pte. Larkin.

Light-heavyweight.—L/Cpl. Peebles (Royal Scots) knocked out Pte. Adams.
Heavyweight.—Pte. Izzard (Middlesex) beat Lt. Callender.

Welterweight 1st String.—Cpl. McGrady (Middlesex) beat Pte. 69 Thomson.

Owen Hughes, after a poor start, settled down in the second set and scored many points at the net, intercepting the opposition returns off Pearce's service.

Luk Ding-cheong was also off form and failed with several easy "kills" at the net, while his service was not functioning as usual.

The encounter was featureless with the exception of one or two rallies at the net, and passing shots by Wong Shiu-wing. The winners, will meet the Rumjahn cousins in the semi-final round.

TO-NIGHT'S TABLE-TENNIS ENCOUNTER

H.K.T.T.F. To Meet European "Y"

A very interesting table-tennis match will be held to-night between the Hong Kong Table-tennis Federation, and the European Y.M.C.A. in the Ling Tung College, Nathan Road at 8 p.m. Two mixed teams will be in opposition.

The Federation will be represented by the following:

Men:—Messrs. Tong Suen Hing (Captain), Fok Hin Chiu, Chui Man Pan, Tam Hung Kwan, Chan Shui Fan, Li Chun Shiu, Yeung Shiu Pui, and Chung Kin Yue.

Ladies:—Misses Shirley Lo, Mary Kwok, Rose-Fung, Annie Ho, Lily Ho and Mary Yik.

CALL OVER FOR CITY AND SUBURBAN STAKES

The following is the final call over for the City and Suburban Stakes, which is being run to-day:

Domaha 6 to 1 o.
Pigskin 8 to 1.
Lady of Shalott 10 to 1 t and o.
Flag of France 10 to 1 o, 11 to 1 t.
Full Sail 10 to 1.
Noble Turk 100 to 9.
Esquemeling 100 to 8.
Santayana 100 to 8.
Puzzler 100 to 7.
Terror 100 to 6.
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NEW 30 SQ. METRE CLASS

First Appearance In British Waters

(By Major B. Heckstall-Smith)
The 30 square metre class, which is of Swedish origin, will make its first appearance in British waters this summer.

This class of small international racing yachts, known in Sweden as the Skerry Cruiser type, has been very popular in Scandinavian waters for many years, but it is a novelty in Britain. The name of the class—"30 Square Metre"—refers to the area of sail carried, which is limited to 30 square metres, or 323 square feet.

The problem which the yacht designer had to solve in this type of boat in its original form was very attractive. It was precisely the opposite, speaking colloquially, to the old English theory of a racing yacht. The old-time idea of an English racing craft was to agree to build a hull of a certain size or tonnage, say five tons or 30ft length, and then rig the yacht with as much racing sail as she could carry.

Prof. Ljungberg, of Sweden, reversed this problem. His idea was to agree to a certain size of sail area and then build the fastest possible hull, of any dimensions, size or tonnage, to be driven by it. The old problem was turned topsyturvy!

INTERESTING PROBLEM

In its original crude form the Swedish problem was of much interest and very attractive to scientific yacht designers, because a multitude of hull forms of different shapes, weights and lengths obviously might be tested before it could be ascertained which type would sail fastest with 30 square metres of sail as the maximum allowed.

In its crude form, however, the problem was much more likely to be attractive to scientists than to sailors and yacht-owners, because in the course of designers' experiments the sportsmen who put down their money to build the yachts would assuredly become possessed of a very queer-looking fleet of sailing machines and freaks.

ONLY LIMITED HULL

To prevent the construction of "freak" craft a number of limitations were included in the rules of the 30 square metre international class. The result of the limitations, of course, greatly modifies the original problem. Only a restricted or limited form of hull must now be placed beneath the 30 square metres of sail area.

English yachtsmen next summer will be interested, and I am sure not a little surprised, at the result of the "problem" when they see the new yachts, because they will see a



Miss Pam Barton, Britain's leading women golfer, in celebrating her 21st birthday gave away all the rights in her book "A Stroke a Hole". She did this to preserve her amateur status. These pictures were taken to-day at the Ashridge Golf Club, Berkhamstead, where she was presented with a giant key and drove off 21 golf balls in honour of the occasion. The photo shows a group of famous golfers watching Pam driving off the 21 golf balls. Left to right: Mrs. Camlenledge, Mr. Bentley, the German champion and ex-English champion, with his wife, Mrs. de Moss, the Austrian champion, W. Laidlaw, the Scottish international, and Henry Cotton. (Copyright by Fox).

very large hull placed beneath a very small area of sail.

A six-metre yacht is 23-24ft. water-line length and carries about 450 square feet of sail. The new 30 square metre class may run to 29 feet water-line length with 323 square feet of sail. But while a six-metre yacht is a heavy craft of four tons weight the 30 square metre will displace approximately half that weight of salt water.

SAIL LIKE BIRD'S WING

The Bermudian mainsail of the new class of yacht is even more like a swift flying bird's wing than any sail commonly seen in this country, because it is very tall and narrow and the top of the mast is permanently bent into a curve, with the result that the main sail is shaped like the wing of a swallow.

The Skerry cruiser type is capable of great speed and weatherliness, but opinion is divided as to whether the elongated form of hull will prove suited to the rough short seas of the west channel of the Solent. One attraction of the new class is that, although small, every boat has a cabin and coach-roof.

ASSN. FORMED

A 30 square metre association has been formed. Mr. C. G. Heywood, chairman, Mr. George Wansbrough, 62, New Broad-street, E.C., secretary, and Mr. Tom Thornycroft has been appointed representative of the Y.R.A. on the committee. Sixteen yachts have already been built or are building for the class for racing in British waters. The cost of the boats is about £800.

Yachts built, or building, for the new class are:

Mr. G. Wansbrough's Waterwitch; Capt. C. B. Wilson's Sal; Mr. Uffa Fox's (unnamed); Mr. W. Janson's Avocet; Mr. C. G. Heywood's Cin-que; Mr. A. B. Harrison's Chrysis; Mr. J. D. G. Hendry's Hexan; Messrs. B. & R. Preston's Tre-Sang; Hon. J. S. MacLay's Tarpoon; Mr. G. R. Falkiner-Nuttall's Alilla; Major W. T. Hazell's Vanja IV; Col. H. C. S. and Mrs. Richardson's Sea Swallow; Mr. B. M. Rusden and Mr. & Mrs. Dutton Forshaw's (unnamed); Sir V. Sassoon's Valerie.

HAPPY VALLEY TROUNCE KOWLOON GOLF CLUB BI-ANNUAL GOLF SERIES

The Bi-Annual Golf Match between the Happy Valley Section, of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, and the Kowloon Golf Club, was held on Good Friday over the Kowloon City Course and resulted in an overwhelming victory for the visitors by 22½ points to 11.

Detailed scores are as follows:—

SINGLES		FOURSOMES	
Happy Valley	Kowloon	Happy Valley	Kowloon
R. Young 1	T. D. Paton 0	R. Young & J. Rodger 2	T. D. Paton & W. A. Stewart 0
J. Rodger 1	W. A. Stewart 0	E. T. McMullen & R. G. Parker 0	G. Milne & A. L. Eastman 2½
E. T. McMullen 1	G. Milne 0	A. D. Humphreys & H. H. Mundy 0	F. C. Barry & J. D. Thomson 2
R. G. Parker 1	A. L. Eastman ¾	W. S. Hillier & T. B. Low 0	A. A. Lopes & R. L. Moncrieff 2
A. D. Humphreys 1	F. C. Barry 0	J. A. R. Selby & G. E. Willerton 2½	M. V. Ahern & E. O. Murphy 0
H. H. Mundy 1	J. D. Thomson 0	F. E. Booker & D. Humphreys 2	C. G. Anderson & W. Bastin 0
W. S. Hillier 1	A. A. Lopes 0	G. T. May & N. J. Booker 2	W. M. Groves & E. M. Hanlon 0
T. B. Low 1½	R. L. Moncrieff 0	W. J. Buller & A. Brooksbank 2	T. Henderson & W. Stoker 0
J. A. R. Selby 0	W. V. Ahern 1		
G. E. Willerton 1	E. O. Murphy 0		
F. E. Booker 0	C. G. Anderson 1		
D. Humphreys 1	W. Bastin ¾		
G. T. May 1	W. M. Groves 0		
N. J. Booker 0	E. M. Hanlon 1		
W. J. Buller 1	T. Henderson 0		
A. Brooksbank 0	W. Stoker 1		
Total 12½	4½	Total Singles 12½	6½
		Grand Total 22½	11



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CITY IS AGAIN TENSE

Rumours of guerilla fighting over a large area, ranging from Tazang in the north to the Hangchow-Wuhing highway in the south, and so close to Shanghai that the sound of firing has been heard almost nightly for the past week, were established as fact by foreign sources of impeccable reliability, writes C. W. Tombs in the "China Press."

Residents of the western districts, specially outside the perimeter, have become so accustomed to the sudden chattering of Lewis gun firing that they are no longer disturbed by it, the writer was told and soldiers at the British posts on the perimeter confirmed this information.

No sign had been seen of roving bands in broad daylight, British sentries said, but unless the Japanese were given to target practice at night, the repeated bursts of firing they had heard almost nightly indicated that something was going on over the railway.

HUNGJAO HEARS FIRING TOO

Belief that the guerilla bands in the immediate vicinity of Shanghai must be operating in the south-eastern areas was strengthened by the observation of Hungjao residents that the sound of firing seemed to come from the district west of Nantao, probably along the military road used by the Japanese.

Travellers arriving in Shanghai report that they have observed numerous villages afire between Hangchow and Shanghai, while refugees have begun to arrive from Tazang with stories of continuous fighting in that area.

Villages below Kashing on the Shanghai-Hangchow railway were blazing furiously when he passed through a foreigner said, and he had been told that the fires were started as reprisals against guerilla activities.

This report confirmed the stories previously brought to Shanghai to the effect that villagers were suffering greatly from Japanese punitive measures against the guerilla bands.

The Chinese troops, against which the measures have been directed, are generally miles away from the scene before the Japanese forces arrive, and innocent farmers are reported to have been shot down as they rushed from their burning homes.

HIGHWAY ATTACKED

From Wuhing to Hangchow, Japanese troops passing along the highway are being harried con-

MR. EDEN'S 'NO' TO £10,000 U.S. TOUR

Mr. Eden has, it is reported, declined an offer of a lecture contract in America which would have been at a record figure.

In view of his present political position Mr. Eden would probably command £300 a lecture, and with wireless broadcasts might have made £10,000 out of the tour.

These figures are based on current prices paid to star lecturers in America, which range from £100 to £200 a lecture, or a guaranteed minimum of £200 a week for a three-months tour.

tinually by small Chinese bands, and garrison outposts are kept at a high pitch of nervous tension. Another foreign traveller arriving in Shanghai reported that there had been fighting on the outskirts of Wuhing.

Refugees have arrived in Shanghai from Sungkiang with stories of fighting, pillaging and burning in the vicinity of their native town, while the rush of Japanese reinforcements into Pootung gave weight to the report that fighting was taking place on the Peninsula.

Although no confirmation can be obtained, it is persistently reported that fresh Chinese troops have arrived on the Pootung side of the river to reinforce the small bands said to have revolted against Japanese rule, and that there has been severe fighting near Minghong.

Clashes between Chinese and Japanese troops took place at dawn near Yehziatseng, on the upper reaches of the Whangpoo, according to refugees arriving in Shanghai. The refugees stated that they had seen the Chinese soldiers on

the banks of the river during the night, and it was believed that between 7,000 and 10,000 men were operating in the area.

BATTLE AT CHENJU

Local Chinese papers reported intensified activities of Chinese guerilla units around Shanghai, particularly in the western sections and regions along the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway. One Chinese report claimed that a group of more than 500 guerillas made a sudden attack on the Japanese garrison in Chenju recently and engaged the Japanese soldiers in a battle lasting for several hours, withdrawing after the Japanese had rushed reinforcements from Shanghai.

The Chinese guerilla bands were reported to have their base near Sungkiang on the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway, where there were large forces scattered all over the neighbouring countryside, attacking the Japanese troops in the daytime and hiding in the night.

To protect Sungkiang from attack by the guerillas, the Japanese troops are reported to have mounted heavy guns on the city wall and to have burned many villages on the outskirts of the city to prevent the roving bands from hiding.

Martial law was reported to have been declared in Nantao by the Japanese. Tension in that area was heightened when the Japanese soldiers pressed a large number of Chinese into constructing trenches and other defence works, it was further reported.

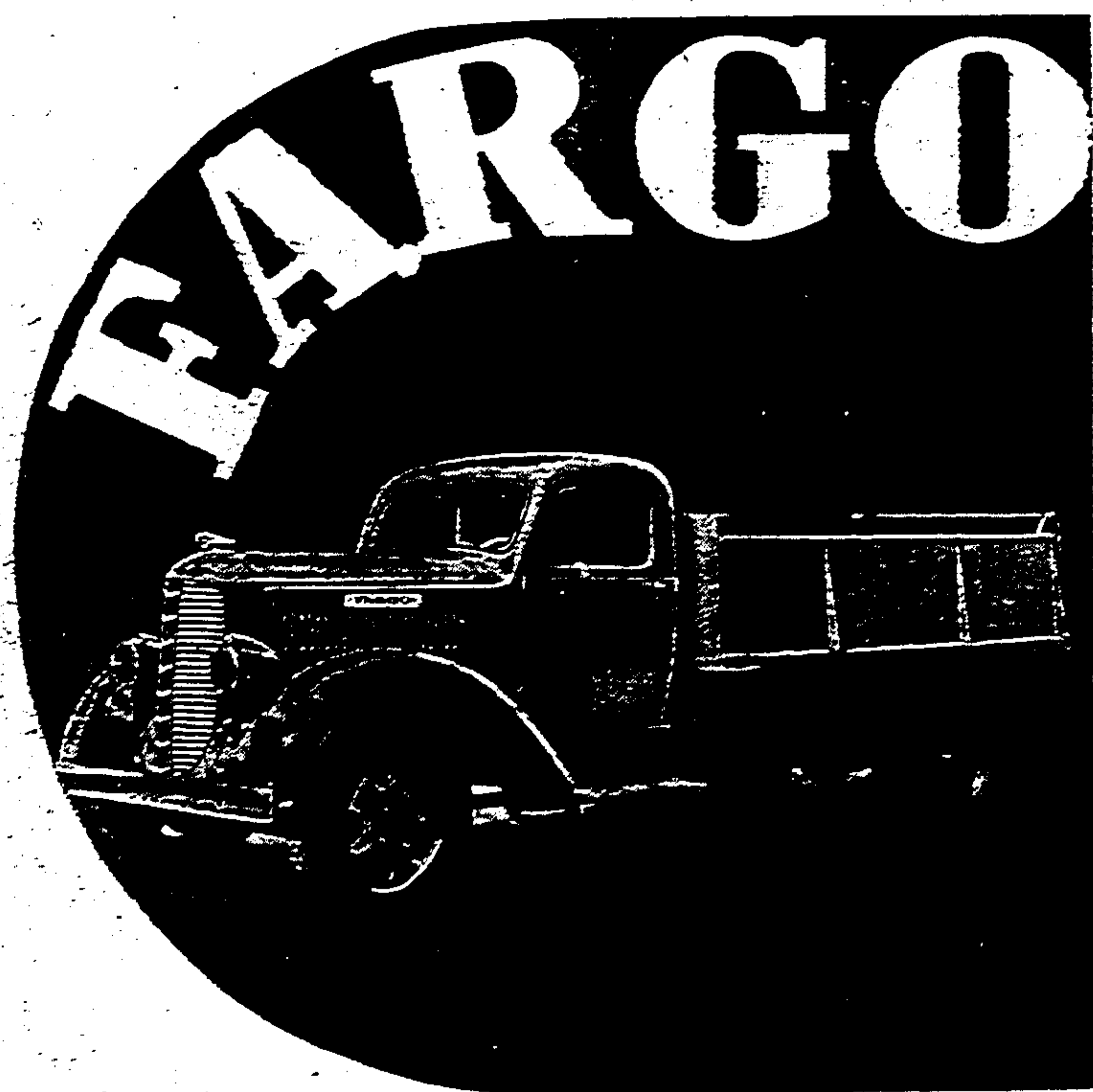
BRIDGE OLYMPIC TO-NIGHT

Twenty-Two Pairs In Tournament

Contestants in the Bridge Olympic Tournament, to be held at the Chinese Club, No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central, to-night, are requested to arrive there at 7.45 p.m. so that the procedure may be explained and play may start promptly at the scheduled time.

Entries closed with the following pairs:

- (1) Mr. F. A. Gilh and Mr. L. A. Ozorio.
- (2) Mrs. Walter Kent and Mrs. F. H. Tyson.
- (3) Hon. Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell and Mr. G. M. D. Wolf.
- (4) Captain S. M. Kharegat and Mr. K. C. Lee.
- (5) Lady Macgregor and Mrs. A. V. Greaves.
- (6) Mr. D. A. O'Kieffe and Mr. John Stenersen.
- (7) Mrs. Howard Donovan and Mrs. W. J. D. Roberts.
- (8) Mr. M. W. Lo and Mr. J. C. Pool.
- (9) Mrs. Albert Raymond and Mrs. Harry Odell.
- (10) Mrs. W. T. Stanton and Count de Courseulles.
- (11) Mr. and Mrs. John Browley.
- (12) Mr. A. Vaswani and Mr. Wick Baker.
- (13) Mr. M. H. Lo and Mr. Horace Lo.
- (14) Mr. D. Hing and Mr. M. N. Rakusen.
- (15) Mr. Ip Lan and Mr. A. J. C. Basto.
- (16) Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Pearce.
- (17) Lt.-Col. E. S. Doughty and Mr. C. C. Black.
- (18) Mr. F. C. MacDonald and Mr. J. J. McLachlan.
- (19) Mr. M. C. Tang and Mr. S. K. Lee.
- (20) Mr. W. E. Denison and Mr. O. R. F. Muller.
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MEGAPHONE IN SUPREME COURT

An unusual atmosphere prevailed in the Supreme Court during the Criminal Session this morning, when the Court Officials had to make use of a megaphone for the benefit of a partially deaf Chinese, Ho Tung-hei, alias Ah Lung, who stood trial before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, for the manslaughter of Lau Luk at Tsunwan on February 18 last.

The jury empanelled were Messrs. S. W. Minshall (Foreman), C. Berry, M. J. Medina, L. G. Cordeiro, Wat Hew-kin, Wing Hong-kwan and D. B. Bone.

Prosecuting, Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, stated deceased and accused used to work together at Needle Hill in Tsunwan for contractors. Some time before the incident, accused, deceased and another fellow-worker were involved in a fight in which deceased gave accused a blow. A European intervened and the men were separated. Deceased lost his job, but visited the place several times looking for odd jobs.

RUPTURED SPLEEN

On February 18, deceased with two women and another man went to Needle Hill. Accused emerged from a group of workmen and went over to deceased and struck him several blows, both men using their fists. Other workmen managed to separate the two men.

Deceased left and on walking down the hill suddenly collapsed.

At the Kowloon Hospital it was discovered that he had a few external bruises, but internal haemorrhage was suspected. The man was operated on and his spleen was found to have been ruptured. He died later in the afternoon following which accused was arrested. A post mortem revealed a ruptured spleen, four times its original size, and medical opinion is that a slight blow or slight injuries would cause the enlarged spleen to rupture.

Mr. Williams concluded that the Crown alleges that the injuries deceased sustained in his fight with accused were responsible for the death of the deceased.

The case is continuing this afternoon.

PIG KILLED IN KITCHEN

For slaughtering a pig in the kitchen of No. 207, Hollywood Road, Leung Cheuk, the master of a roast pork shop, was fined \$50 by Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Sanitary Inspector Eccleshall said the carcase was found in the kitchen. The department took a serious view of such cases as they were committed either to defraud the Government in revenue chargeable on animals slaughtered by the department, or because the animals were in such a condition that they would not be permitted to be slaughtered to be used for food.

The Boy Scouts Association annual inter-Troop Banner Rally will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 23, at the Diocesan Boys' School grounds, Kowloon.

VITAL GAMES IN HOME FOOTBALL

London, To-day.

With a 4-0 victory over Swansea, Aston Villa resumed leadership of the Second Division yesterday and are now almost assured of promotion to the senior league. Coventry, on the heels of Sheffield United narrowly defeated Barnsley.

The struggle to escape relegation found Huddersfield breathing easier, with another victory over Derby to provide them with four much needed points in two days.

Bristol City, challenging strongly in the Third Division (South) slipped at Northampton.

The results were:

FIRST DIVISION
Huddersfield 2 Derby 0
Leeds Un. 2 Stoke 1

SECOND DIVISION
Aston Villa 4 Swansea 0
Coventry 1 Barnsley 0
Sheff. Wed. 1 Blackburn 1

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)
Northampton 1 Bristol City 0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)
Bradford C. 0 York City 1

—Renter.

U.S. BASEBALL LEAGUE STARTS IN EARNEST

Heavy Scoring In
National League

GIANTS TOP BOSTON

New York, To-day.

The American Baseball season commenced in earnest yesterday with a full-programme of matches, including "double-header" in the American League, between the Yankees and the Red Sox, in which the spoils were shared.

Heavy scoring was featured in the National League, the New York Giants trouncing Boston by a margin of 12 clear runs, homers falling to Bartell, Ott and McCarthy. The Dodgers were also featured in heavy scoring, compiling 12 runs to five by the Athletics.

The following were the results:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Boston 1 7 3
Dimaggio hit a homer.
New York 13 16 0
Dick Bartell, Melvin Ott and Joe McCarthy hit homers.

Brooklyn 12 15 0
Koy Dolph Camilli and Lavagetto hit homers.
Philadelphia 5 11 0
Klein and Mueller hit homers.

Chicago 8 15 4
Collins and Bryant hit homers.
Cincinnati 7 14 2

Pittsburgh 4 10 2
Vaughan hit a homer.
St. Louis 3 11 1

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York 5 5 1
Boston 3 5 0

New York 0 2 0
Boston 6 8 1
Doerr hit a homer.

Philadelphia 2 6 3
Johnson hit a homer.
Washington 9 11 0

Detroit 3 9 2
Greenberg and Laabs hit homers.
Chicago 4 7 0

St. Louis 6 6 0
Cleveland 2 11 1
Hal Trosky hit a homer.

—Renter.

SMALL UNITS HOCKEY REPLAY TO-MORROW

The Replay of the Final, of the Small Units Hockey Competition, between 3rd Med. Bty. H.K.S.R.A., and H.Q. Wing, 1/Middlesex, will take place at Sookunpoo tomorrow, bully off at 4.30 p.m.

Dark Hazard, a 13.2 subscription griffin of this season belonging to Mr. Henry, went out in company with Tiny Eagle for its usual exercise this morning, but when nearing the Members' Stand it suddenly threw its Chinese riding boy, who, fortunately, fell on the grass side of the sand track, thus saving himself from serious injury.

The pony then completed its workout under the control of another riding boy—"Rapiet."

EXCESS STORAGE OF KEROSENE

Several storekeepers were summoned before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning with storing kerosene and oil spirit of wine in their premises in excess of the quantity allowed.

Cheng Tack, of No. 80 Second Street, was fined \$50 for having 40 gallons stored under the steps in the rear of the premises instead of in the yard while a fine of \$70 was imposed on Wong Pak Tong of No. 10 Centre Street for having 100 gallons on the ground floor. Tong Kwong of No. 45 Wanchai Road and Chung Man of No. 49 Wanchai Road were each fined \$25.

Mr. G. C. Moss prosecuted in all cases and stated that the practice was a dangerous one as all the goods were highly inflammable.



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To-day's Wireless

Second Act Of Carmen By Milan Symphony Orchestra

12-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Harold Ramsay (Cinema Organ).
12.42 p.m.—The Hill Billies And Nat Gonella & His Georgians.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections.
1.30 p.m.—Beuter and Rugby Press.
Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Hawaiian Music.
1.53 p.m.—Dance Records.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6-8 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7 p.m.—London Palladium Orchestra.
Dawn (Matt).
Sunset (Matt).
A Birthday Serenade (Lincke).
The Valley Of The Poppies (Ancliffe).
Japanese Carnival (Andre de Basque).
Marche Symphonique (Savino).
7.20 p.m.—Songs by Turner Layton (Bass).
A Beautiful Lady In Blue (Lewis & Coates).

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I Want The Whole World To Love You (Bryan & Marks).
When The Poppies Bloom Again (Towers, Morrow & Pelosi).
7.32 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.35 p.m.—Variety (Vocal Humorous).
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Studio—A Recital by Doreen Ma (Piano).
8.20 p.m.—Reginald Foort (Cinema Organ).
8.35 p.m.—London Relay—'Animals On Board Ship'. A talk by Captain J. J. Cameron.
8.45 p.m.—Studio—A Song Recital by Anna Lovtsoff (Soprano) accompanied by Nura Kanis (Piano). A Russian Programme.
1. "Khovantchina"—Persian Dances (Moussorgsky, arr. Rimsky-Korsakov) London Symphony

Orch. Cond. by Albert Coates.
2. Aria Antonini—(From the Opera "Life For The Tsar"—M. Glinka); Sladko Pel Doosha Salovoshko (M. Gliere)..... Anna Lovtsoff.
3. "Tsar's Bride"—Song Of The Bride (Rimsky-Korsakov, arr. Franko) Master Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) Piano Accomp. Hubert Giesen.
4. Russian Medley Of Folk Songs (Traditional — arr. Sorokin); Gypsy Caravan (Traditional—arr. Sorokin)..... Sorokin Russian Choir cond. by Capt. S. Sorokin.
5. Davno Malinovski Zveniat (D. Tchaikovsky); Nad Poliami (Cherniavsky) Anna Lovtsoff.
6. Night On The Bare Mountain (Moussorgsky)..... London Symphony Orchestra Conducted by Albert Coates.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Alfred Cortot at the Piano. Sonatine For Piano (Ravel).
10.03 p.m.—Orchestre Symphonique De Paris.
Musette Et Tambourin (Rameau).
March Heroique (Saint-Saens).
10.18 p.m.—Bizet—"Carmen"—Act II. Played by The Milan Symphony Orchestra conducted by Cav. Lorenzo Molajoli.
11 p.m.—Close down.

Smasher.
6.55 a.m.—The Pianoforte Trios of Beethoven.
7.35 a.m.—'Over the Farm Gate'—A talk by J. A. Scott Watson, Professor of Rural Economy, University of Oxford.
7.50 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 8.00 a.m.
8.15 a.m.—Close Down.

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Frequencies—

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10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. 'Palace of Varieties'.
11.45 a.m.—'Rehearsal'. A glimpse of the preparations for a broadcast from the Palace Theatre, Burnley, Lancashire.
12.00 p.m.—The Chamber Music of Mozart.
12.35 p.m.—'Animals on Board Ship'. A talk by Captain J. J. Cameron.
12.45 p.m.—British Light Music—The BBC Empire Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.57 p.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—

GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSH 15.14 Mc/s (19.82 m.)
GSH (to 3.30 p.m.) 21.53 Mc/s

1.57 p.m.—Opening Announcement.
2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. Clara Butt (Songs).
2.15 p.m.—The BBC Empire Orchestra.
3.15 p.m.—'Take your Choice'. A weekly entertainment feature.
4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—Dance Music.
4.40 p.m.—'World Affairs'. A talk by J. L. Brierly, Chichele Professor of International Law in the University of Oxford.
5.00 p.m.—Close Down.

BROADCAST FROM DAVENTRY

TRANSMISSION 1

Frequencies—

GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSO 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.)
GSD 11.75 Mc/s (25.53 m.)
GSB 9.51 mc/s (31.55 m.)

G.M.T.

6.00 a.m.—Big Ben. Programme of Folk dances.
6.35 a.m.—'The Gang Smasher' (Episode 3). 'John Martinson Meets a Duchess'. A radio serial adapted by Jack Inglis from the novel The Gang

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

How Good Are You?

Mr. Culbertson is conducting, through this column, an examination of bridge players. Rate yourself by subtracting from 100 the points for each wrong answer.

Question 19 of the self-rating bridge examination appeared on Monday. It was:

Question 19: You are West, the declarer at a contract of six spades. North opened the heart queen. Your hand and dummy are as follows:

WEST East (dummy)
S—A K 9 8 4 3 2 S—J 6
H—A H—8 7 3 2
D—Q 5 D—A K 9 6
C—A Q 4 C—K 7 2

How do you play the hand, and why?

Answer: Your only danger of defeat is to find a bad trump break. You are missing the Q-10-7-5. If these are not all in one hand you cannot lose more than one trick by the ordinary method of cashing the ace and king. If they are all in one hand, however, a safety measure is required. Your correct play, on winning with the heart ace, is to lead a low trump toward dummy. If North holds all four trumps this method will hold him to one trick. In other words, if he plays the queen dummy's jack will later draw one of his trumps, and the ace-king the other two. If he ducks, the jack will win and the play of the ace-king will reduce him to the lone queen. If North shows out the jack loses to South's queen, but now a finesse has become established against the remaining ten spot. (If you played the hand in this way add two points to your score as reward. If you did not, one point demerit.)

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS

Question 20: Both sides vulnerable. You are South. The bidding was as follows:

North East South West
1 spade Double Pass 2 hearts
Pass 2 no trump Pass 3 no trump
Pass Pass Pass

You must lead from this holding:

S—Q 9 4, H—7 5, D—Q 9 7 3 2, C—10 9 8

What card do you lead?

Question 21: Both sides vulnerable. You are South. East, your right-hand opponent, dealt and bid four spades. Your holding is:

S—3, H—A Q 10 5, D—A K J 6,

C—K Q J 4
What call do you make?
TO-DAY'S HAND

South, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S—A J 10 5

H—J 8 6

D—9 7 5 3 2

C—4

WEST

S—K 6 4 3

H—Q 7 2

D—Q 4

C—J 10 9 5

EAST

S—Q 7 2

H—5 4

D—K J 10 6

C—8 7 3 2

SOUTH

S—9 8

H—A K 10 9 3

D—A 8

C—A K Q 6

The bidding:

South West North East
1 heart Pass 1 spade Pass
3 clubs Pass 3 hearts Pass
5 hearts Pass Pass

The bad final contract came about because North was a player who disdained bidding conventions. South thought wistfully of asking bids and the four-five no trump convention, but realised that North did not even know the responses, hence was forced to fall back on a dangerous type of slam try.

West opened the club jack and declarer, when he saw the dummy, realised that the game was in jeopardy. One trump, one spade, and one diamond were potential losers. There were two possible methods of play: One, to attempt diamond suit establishment, thus getting rid of the spade loser; the other, to take successive spade finesses in order to ditch the losing diamond. Since the former plan required a 3-3 diamond break, against which the odds are roughly two to one, and since successive spade finesses had about a three to one chance for success, obviously the choice was not close. Declarer won the opening lead and finessed to the ten of spades. East won and returned a diamond. The ace was put up and another spade finesse taken to the jack. This held, and the embarrassing diamond was discarded on the spade ace.

A low heart to the king and the low club ruff in dummy followed, then the heart finesse was attempted. Although it lost, declarer had confined the enemy to two tricks.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE ORIENTAL — "Slim." — With Pat O'Brien, Henry Fonda, Margaret Lindsay, Stuart Erwin, J. Farrell Macdonald and Dick Purcell. The tale of two devil-may-cares whose only interests in life are each other, their jobs and the girl.

AT THE STAR — "Mountain Justice." — A gripping drama of fanatical mountain folk who combine an intensive study of the Bible with child marriages and an occasional murder. It features Josephine Hutchinson, George Brent, Guy Kibbee, Mona Barrie, George Barrat and Robert McWade.

AT THE QUEEN'S — "They Won't Forget." — A great human story of passion and prejudice written in words of fire and filmed in blazing fury. Hailed as one of the truly great dramas since the advent of sound. Starring Claude Rains, Gloria Dickson, Edward Norris and Otto Kruger.

AT THE ALHAMBRA — "Daughter Of Shanghai." — with Anna May Wong, Charles Bickford, Larry Crabbe and Cecil Cunningham. A vivid and dramatic insight into the workings of the billion-dollar "flesh" racket, the high game of sneaking aliens into the United States past the immigration authorities, is one of the highlights of the picture.

AT THE KING'S — "Dark Journey." — This production has Conrad Veidt and Vivien Leigh in the leading roles. An excellent spy-story with intriguing love interest and a range of picturesque situations. Others in the cast include Joan Gardner, Anthony Bushell, Ursula Jeans, Margery Pickard, Austin Trevor, Sam Livesey, Edmund Willard, Charles Carson and Phil Ray.

AT THE MAJESTIC — "Strike Me Pink." — with Eddie Cantor, a comedy loaded with youth, laughter and beauty.



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ARCHDUKE TO BE GERMAN RED MARRIED ON CROSS SUPPLY MAY 9 FOR CHINA

BUDAPEST, TO-DAY.
THE WEDDING OF ARCHDUKE ALBRECHT OF HAPSBURG WITH KATHARINA VON BECSKAY WILL TAKE PLACE ON MAY 9, SAYS A NEWSPAPER REPORT.

As the Archduke, who for some time was opposing candidate to Otto for the Hapsburg throne, had formerly contracted only a civil marriage with the divorced wife of the Hungarian Minister in Vienna, nothing stands in the way of a church wedding.

This will accordingly take place on May 9 in the Church of the Benedictine Order.—Trans-Ocean.

KING ZOGU'S WEDDING

BUDAPEST, TO-DAY.
A COLUMN OF THIRTY-SIX MOTORCARS WILL LEAVE THE HUNGARIAN CAPITAL THIS MORNING WITH HUNGARIAN GUESTS WHO WILL ATTEND THE WEDDING OF KING ZOGU OF ALBANIA AND COUNTESS GERALDINE APONYI, AT TIRANA.

The marriage ceremonies will begin next Monday.

Climax will be the church wedding on Wednesday.

Hankow, To-day.

The gift of medical supplies and surgical instruments made by the German Red Cross to China, and despatched in charge of two physicians — Dr. Podgursky and Dr. Trautmann (son of the German Ambassador to China) — has arrived at its destination and has been received by General Chiang Kai-shek personally.

The Generalissimo asked the two German doctors, when they were presented to him by the German Ambassador, to convey to the German Red Cross the sincere thanks of the Chinese people for the help rendered at such a critical time, and for placing at the disposal of the Chinese people medical skill and medical supplies.

Since their arrival in China, the two German doctors have made a long journey of inspection to the fighting zones, where they noted the remarkable progress made in the Chinese medical service. — Trans-Ocean.

ding on Wednesday.

Simultaneously with the King's marriage, the weddings of 101 Albanian couples will take place. All the couples will receive dowries from the King.—Trans-Ocean.

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BROADBENT

Calcutta, To-day.

H. F. Broadbent, who is trying to lower the England-New Zealand solo flight record, hopped off for Allahabad at daybreak this morning.—Reuter.

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